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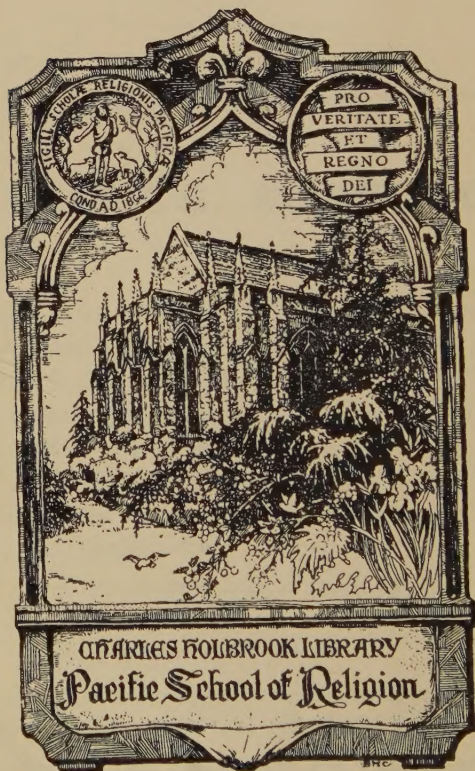
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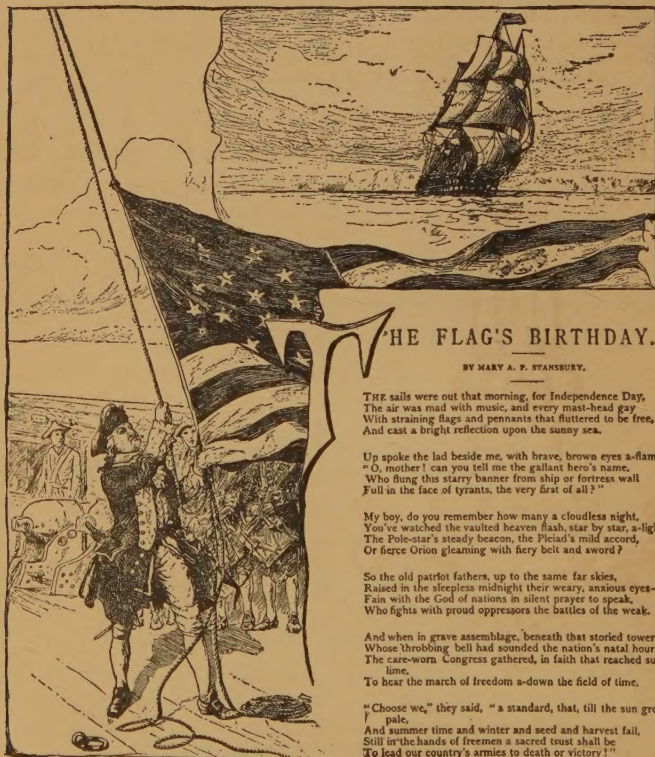
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THE sails were out that morning, for Independence Day,
The air was mad with music, and every mast-head gay
With straining flags and pennants that fluttered to be free,
And cast a bright reflection upon the sunny sea.

Up spoke the lad beside me, with brave, brown eyes a-flame;
"O, mother! can you tell me the gallant hero's name,
Who flung this starry banner from ship or fortress wall
Full in the face of tyrants, the very first of all?"

My boy, do you remember how many a cloudless night,
You've watched the vaulted heaven flash, star by star, a-light,
The Pole-star's steady beacon, the Pleiad's mild accord,
Or fierce Orion gleaming with fiery belt and sword?

So the old patriot fathers, up to the same far skies,
Raised in the sleepless midnight their weary, anxious eyes—
Fain with the God of nations in silent prayer to speak,
Who fights with proud oppressors the battles of the weak.

And when in grave assemblage, beneath that storied tower
Whose throbbing bell had sounded the nation's natal hour,
The care-worn Congress gathered, in faith that reached sub-
lime,
To hear the march of freedom a-down the field of time.

"Choose we," they said, "a standard, that, till the sun grow
pale,
And summer time and winter and seed and harvest fail,
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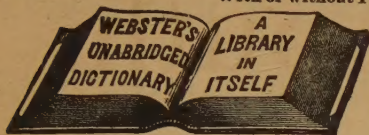
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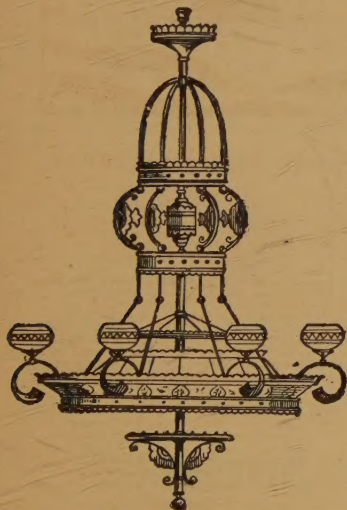
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Permanent Calendar for the Century.

EXPLANATION: The seven Calendars in the right-hand Table (numbered 1 to 7) exhibit every possible variation in the month-date of each day of the week. The numbers in the left-hand Table indicate the proper calendar for each month of every year, from 1865 to 1900.

YEAR.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.		Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
1865	1	4	4	7	2	5	7	3	6	1	4	6	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1866	2	5	5	1	3	6	1	4	7	2	5	7		8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1867	3	6	6	2	4	7	2	5	1	3	6	1		15	16	17	18	19	20	21
1868	4	7	1	4	6	2	4	7	3	5	1	3		22	23	24	25	26	27	28
1869	6	2	2	5	7	3	5	1	4	6	2	4	2	29	30	31				
1870	7	3	3	6	1	4	6	2	5	7	3	5			1	2	3	4	5	6
1871	1	4	4	7	2	5	7	3	6	1	4	6		7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1872	2	5	6	2	4	7	2	5	1	3	6	1		14	15	16	17	18	19	20
1873	4	7	7	3	5	1	3	6	2	4	7	2	3	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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DIRECTIONS. Find the month and year required, in the left-hand Table. The figure opposite both will indicate the calendar to be used. Thus: January, 1888, gives the figure "1;" hence the first calendar is the one for January, 1888, and the New Year is seen to fall on Sunday.

THE METHODIST YEAR-BOOK.



The New Standard of Time.

The dates given in this Year-Book, with the exception of those for the rising and setting of the Sun, Moon, and Planets, and the times of high tide (H. W. in the calendar tables), are in accordance with the Railroad Standards of time. These dates cannot be given in the standard times for the risings and settings of the heavenly bodies, because a change of those times, to the amount of one minute, would be necessary for every quarter of a degree of difference of longitude from the Standard Meridians. This would involve about two hundred and forty different statements, each day, for the rising or setting of each heavenly body.

Four Standard Meridians have been adopted for the United States, and one for the Dominion of Canada :

Intercolonial,	60°	west from Greenwich, Eng.			
Eastern,	75°	"	"	"	"
Central,	90°	"	"	"	"
Mountain,	105°	"	"	"	"
Pacific,	120°	"	"	"	"

The Eastern Standard Meridian, for the eastern part of the United States, passes about two thirds of a minute of time east of Philadelphia, nearly four minutes of time west of New York city, and very nearly through Ogdensburg, N. Y.

The Central Standard Meridian passes through New Orleans, La. St. Louis, Mo., is about one minute in time west of it, and Chicago about ten and a half minutes of time east of it.

The Mountain Meridian passes through the Rocky Mountains, very near Pike's Peak, Col.

The Pacific Standard Meridian is near the Pacific coast, San Francisco being about nine and a half minutes of time west of it.

For the several Standard Meridians themselves the dates of the Year-Book will be correct, because for those standards no departure is made from the old method of regulating time by the Sun.

But for any place east of either of these Standard Meridians, and within $7\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ of it, one minute of time must be subtracted from the Year-Book dates for every quarter of a degree of longitude that the place is distant from that Standard Meridian ; or four minutes of time for each degree.

For a place west of any Standard Meridian, and within $7\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ of it, add one minute of time for each quarter of a degree, or four minutes of time for each degree of distance from that standard, to the Year-Book dates.

Any ordinary school map of the United States will give the distances in longitude of places from the Standard Meridians with sufficient accuracy for applying these rules.

The true longitude and latitude of the four cities for which the calculations are made are, as follows :

Boston, long. $71^{\circ} 4' W.$; lat. $42^{\circ} 21' N.$	Washington, long. $77^{\circ} W.$; lat. $38^{\circ} 53' N.$
New York, long. $74^{\circ} 1' W.$; lat. $40^{\circ} 42' 40'' N.$	Charleston, long. $79^{\circ} 57' W.$; lat. $32^{\circ} 47' N.$

The Seasons for 1888.

(For Eastern Meridian Standard Time.)

		H. M.		D. H. M.
Winter begins, 1887, December	21, 10	5 eve., and lasts.....	89	0 50
Spring " 1888, March	19, 10	55 eve., "	92	20 20
Summer " 1888, June	20, 7	15 eve., "	93	14 37
Autumn " 1888, September	22, 9	52 morn., "	89	18 9
Winter " 1888, December	21, 4	1 morn., Tropical year.....	365	5 56

Planets as Morning Stars in 1888.

Mercury, until January 18; March 3 to May 10; July 9 to August 23; and October 31 to December 28. Venus, until July 11. Mars, until January 5. Jupiter, until February 24, and after December 8. Saturn, from August 1 to November 11. Uranus, until January 7, and after October 10. Neptune, from May 20 to August 24.

Planets as Evening Stars in 1888.

Mercury, from January 18 to March 3; May 10 to July 9; August 23 to October 31; and after December 28. Venus, after July 11. Mars, after January 5. Jupiter, from February 24 to December 8. Saturn, until August 1, and after November 11. Uranus, from January 7 to October 10. Neptune, until May 20, and after August 24.

Planets when Brightest in 1888.

Mercury, February 14 to 17, June 9 to 12, and October 5 to 8, setting early in the evenings. Also March 30 to April 2, July 29 to August 1, and November 17 to 20, rising mornings before the Sun.

Venus, not brightest this year. Mars, April 11. Jupiter, May 22. Saturn, January 23. Uranus, April 4. Neptune, November 22.

Eclipses in 1888.

During the year there will be five eclipses, three of the Sun and two of the Moon, as follows:

I. A Total Eclipse of the Moon, January 28, visible in nearly all parts of the world:

		Inter-Colonial.	Eastern.	Central.	Mountain.	Pacific.
	D.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
Eclipse begins.....	28	5 30 eve.	4 30 eve.	3 30 eve.	invisible.	invisible.
Total phase begins....	28	6 31 eve.	5 31 eve.	4 31 eve.	"	"
Middle of eclipse.....	28	7 20 eve.	6 20 eve.	5 20 eve.	"	"
Total phase ends.....	28	8 9 eve.	7 9 eve.	6 9 eve.	5 9 eve.	"
Eclipse ends.....	28	9 9½ eve.	8 9½ eve.	7 9½ eve.	6 9½ eve.	"

If the Moon rises at any place in the United States after the time in the above table for the beginning of the eclipse at that place then the eclipse will have begun before the rising, and will show more or less size when rising. Largest size 20 digits, the Moon's diameter being 12 digits.

II. A Partial Eclipse of the Sun, February 11, invisible in the United States.

III. A Partial Eclipse of the Sun, July 9, invisible in the United States.

IV. A Total Eclipse of the Moon, July 22, 23, invisible thus :

	Inter-Colonial.		Eastern.	Central.	Mountain.	Pacific.
	D.	H. M.	D. H. M.	D. H. M.	D. H. M.	D. . . M.
Eclipse begins.....	22	11 55 eve.	10 55 eve.	9 55 eve.	8 55 eve.	7 55 eve.
Total phase begins....	23	0 54 mo.	22 11 54 eve.	22 10 54 eve.	22 9 54 eve.	22 8 54 eve.
Middle of eclipse.....	23	1 45 mo.	0 45 mo.	22 11 45 eve.	22 10 45 eve.	22 9 45 eve.
Total phase ends.....	23	2 36 mo.	1 36 mo.	0 36 mo.	22 11 36 eve.	22 10 36 eve.
Eclipse ends.....	23	3 35 mo.	2 35 mo.	1 35 mo.	0 35 mo.	22 12 35 eve.

Size when largest 22 digits—the Moon's digits being one twelfth part of its diameter.

V. A Partial Eclipse of the Sun, August 7, invisible in the United States.

Church Days.

Septuagesima Sunday.....	Jan.	29	Easter Sunday.....	April	1
Sexagesima ".....	Feb.	5	Low Sunday.....	"	8
Quinquagesima ".....	"	12	Rogation Sunday.....	May	6
Ash Wednesday.....	"	15	Ascension Day.....	"	10
Quadragesima Sunday.....	"	19	Whit Sunday.....	"	20
Mid-Lent Sunday.....	March	11	Trinity Sunday.....	"	27
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Cycles of Time.

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Roman Indiction.....	1	at Sunset on September 5.	

CALENDAR FOR 1889.

JANUARY.							FEBRUARY.							MARCH.							APRIL.						
SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.	SAT.	SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.	SAT.	SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.	SAT.	SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.	SAT.
..	..	1	2	3	4	5	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	1	2	3	4	5	6
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
27	28	29	30	31	..	..	24	25	26	27	28	..	..	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	28	29	30	..	..	..	..
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MAY.							JUNE.							JULY.							AUGUST.						
..	..	..	1	2	3	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	2	3	4	5	6	..	..	..	1	2	3	..
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
26	27	28	29	30	31	..	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	28	29	30	31	..	..	..	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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SEPTEMBER.							OCTOBER.							NOVEMBER.							DECEMBER.						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	..	..	1	2	3	4	5	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	..	..	..	..	..	27	28	29	30	31	..	..	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	29	30	31	..	..	..	..

1st MONTH.

JANUARY.

31 DAYS.

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DAY OF YEAR.	DAY OF MONTH.	DAY OF WEEK.	CALENDAR FOR Boston; New England, New York State, Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa and Oregon.				CALENDAR FOR New York city; Phila- delphia. Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylv- ania, Ohio, Ind. & Ill.				CALENDAR for Washington; Mary'd, Virginia, Kentucky, Mis- souri & Calif' a.				CALENDAR FOR Charleston; N. Caroli- na, Tennessee, Geor- gia, Alabama, Missis- sipi and Louisiana.			
			Sun rises.	Moon rises.	H. M.	H. M.	Sun rises.	Moon rises.	H. M.	H. M.	Sun rises.	Moon rises.	H. M.	H. M.	Sun rises.	Moon rises.	H. M.	H. M.
92	1	S	5 42	6 26	mo.	3 21	5 43	6 25	mo.	ev 6	5 44	6 23	mo.	0 7	5 48	6 20	11 53	11 21
93	2	M	5 40	6 27	0 17	4 20	5 42	6 26	0 12	1 7	5 43	6 24	0 7	5 46	6 21	mo.	ev 20	11 21
94	3	Tu	5 39	6 28	1 16	5 25	5 40	6 27	1 12	2 11	5 41	6 25	1 7	5 45	6 21	mo.	ev 20	11 21
95	4	W	5 37	6 29	2 8	6 28	5 38	6 28	2 4	3 13	5 40	6 26	1 59	5 44	6 22	1 44	2 28	1 25
96	5	Th	5 35	6 30	2 53	7 33	5 37	6 29	2 49	4 28	5 38	6 27	2 45	5 43	6 23	2 32	3 33	2 33
97	6	Fr	5 34	6 31	3 31	8 30	5 35	6 30	3 28	5 15	5 37	6 28	3 24	5 41	6 24	3 14	4 30	4 30
98	7	Sa	5 32	6 32	4 4	9 19	5 33	6 31	4 2	6 5	5 35	6 29	3 59	5 40	6 24	3 50	5 19	5 19
99	8	Sa	5 30	6 34	4 34	10 4	5 32	6 32	4 32	6 50	5 34	6 30	4 31	5 39	6 25	4 25	6 4	6 4
100	9	M	5 29	6 35	5 1	10 45	5 30	6 33	5 0	7 29	5 32	6 31	4 59	5 38	6 26	4 56	6 45	6 45
101	10	Tu	5 27	6 36	5 29	11 21	5 29	6 34	5 29	8 4	5 31	6 32	5 29	5 36	6 26	5 29	7 21	7 21
102	11	W	5 25	6 37	sets	11 58	5 27	6 35	sets	8 41	5 29	6 33	sets	5 35	6 27	sets	7 58	7 58
103	12	Th	5 24	6 38	7 57	mo.	5 26	6 36	7 55	9 20	5 28	6 34	7 53	5 34	6 28	7 46	8 33	8 33
104	13	Fr	5 22	6 39	8 54	0 33	5 24	6 37	8 51	9 56	5 26	6 35	8 47	5 33	6 28	8 38	9 10	9 10
105	14	Sa	5 21	6 40	9 50	1 10	5 22	6 38	9 47	10 33	5 25	6 36	9 43	5 31	6 29	9 31	9 49	9 49
106	15	S	5 19	6 41	10 46	1 49	5 21	6 39	10 42	11 13	5 23	6 37	10 39	5 30	6 30	10 24	10 30	10 30
107	16	M	5 18	6 42	11 41	2 30	5 19	6 40	11 36	12 0	5 22	6 38	11 31	5 29	6 31	11 17	11 15	11 15
108	17	Tu	5 16	6 43	mo.	3 15	5 18	6 41	mo.	mo.	5 20	6 39	mo.	5 28	6 31	mo.	mo.	mo.
109	18	W	5 14	6 44	0 31	4 3	5 16	6 42	0 26	0 50	5 19	6 40	0 21	5 27	6 32	0 7	0 3	0 3
110	19	Th	5 13	6 46	1 20	5 0	5 15	6 43	1 15	1 47	5 17	6 41	1 10	5 25	6 33	0 56	1 0	1 0
111	20	Fr	5 11	6 47	2 4	6 3	5 13	6 44	1 59	2 49	5 16	6 42	1 55	5 24	6 34	1 23	2 3	2 3
112	21	Sa	5 10	6 48	2 44	7 5	5 12	6 45	2 40	3 50	5 15	6 43	2 37	5 23	6 34	2 46	3 5	3 5
113	22	S	5 8	6 49	3 20	8 9	5 10	6 46	3 18	4 53	5 13	6 44	3 15	5 22	6 35	3 8	4 9	4 9
114	23	M	5 6	6 50	3 54	9 4	5 9	6 47	3 53	5 51	5 12	6 45	3 51	5 21	6 36	3 47	5 0	5 0
115	24	Tu	5 5	6 51	4 28	10 0	5 8	6 48	4 28	6 46	5 11	6 45	4 28	5 20	6 36	4 27	6 0	6 0
116	25	W	5 3	6 53	rises	10 53	5 6	6 50	rises	7 37	5 9	6 46	rises	5 19	6 37	rises	6 53	6 53
117	26	Th	5 2	6 54	7 32	11 40	5 5	6 51	7 30	8 20	5 8	6 47	7 27	5 18	6 38	7 18	7 40	7 40
118	27	Fr	5 0	6 55	8 49	ev 27	5 3	6 52	8 45	9 14	5 7	6 48	8 41	5 17	6 38	8 30	8 27	8 27
119	28	Sa	5 1	6 56	10 2	1 19	5 2	6 53	9 57	10 5	5 5	6 49	9 53	5 15	6 39	9 39	9 19	9 19
120	29	S	5 1	6 57	11 6	2 12	5 1	6 54	11 1	10 54	5 4	6 50	10 56	5 14	6 40	10 42	10 12	10 12
121	30	M	5 1	6 58	mo	3 5	4 59	6 55	11 59	11 50	5 3	6 51	11 54	5 13	6 41	11 40	11 5	11 5

CALENDAR FOR
Charleston; N. Caroli-
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gia, Alabama, Missis-
sipi and Louisiana.

CALENDAR
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Mary'd, Virginia,
Kentucky, Mis-
souri & Calif' a.

CALENDAR FOR
New York city; Phila-
delphia. Connecticut,
New Jersey, Pennsylv-
ania, Ohio, Ind. & Ill.

CALENDAR FOR
Boston; New England,
New York State,
Michigan, Wisconsin,
Iowa and Oregon.

Sun at Noon
Mean time.
Washington

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			Sun rises.	Moon sets.	H. W. Bos.	Sun rises.	Moon sets.	H. M. N. Y.	Sun rises.	Moon sets.	H. M.	Sun rises.	Moon sets.	H. M.
122	I	Tu	H. M. S.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	ev 49	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
123	2	W	4 55 6 59	0 4	4 2	4 58 6 56	mo.	ev 49	5 26 52	mo.	0 2	5 12 6 41	mo.	0 2
124	3	Th	4 53 7 0	0 54	5 2	4 57 6 57	0 49	1 49	5 16 53	0 45	1 2	5 12 6 42	0 31	1 2
125	4	Fr	4 52 7 1	1 33	6 4	4 56 6 58	1 30	2 50	4 59 6 54	1 14	2 4	5 11 6 43	1 14	2 4
126	5	Sa	4 51 7 3	2 8	7 2	4 54 6 59	2 5	3 47	4 58 6 55	2 2	3 55	5 10 6 44	1 53	3 2
127	6	S	4 50 7 5	3 29	7 55	4 52 7 1	3 37	4 40	4 57 6 56	2 35	3 55	5 9 6 44	2 29	3 55
128	7	M	4 49 7 5	3 5	8 45	4 50 7 1	3 5	5 30	4 56 6 57	3 4	4 45	5 8 6 45	3 0	4 45
129	8	Tu	4 47 7 6	3 32	9 29	4 51 7 2	3 32	6 15	4 55 6 58	3 31	5 29	5 7 6 46	3 31	5 29
130	9	W	4 46 7 8	3 58	10 10	4 50 7 3	3 58	6 56	4 54 6 59	3 59	6 10	5 6 6 47	4 1	6 10
131	10	Th	4 45 7 8	4 25	10 51	4 49 7 4	4 26	7 35	4 53 7 0	4 28	7 26	5 5 6 48	5 4	7 26
132	11	Fr	4 44 7 9	4 52	11 26	4 48 7 5	4 54	8 9	4 52 7 1	4 57	8 4	5 5 6 49	sets	8 4
133	12	Sa	4 42 7 10	sets	mo.	4 47 7 6	sets	8 49	4 51 7 2	sets	8 43	5 4 6 49	sets	8 43
134	13	S	4 41 7 11	8 42	0 4	4 46 7 8	8 36	9 29	4 50 7 3	8 34	9 25	5 3 6 49	8 21	8 43
135	14	M	4 40 7 12	9 38	0 43	4 45 7 8	9 33	10 11	4 49 7 3	9 23	10 7	5 2 6 50	9 14	9 25
136	15	Tu	4 39 7 13	10 24	1 25	4 44 7 9	10 20	10 49	4 48 7 4	10 15	11 4	5 2 6 51	10 0	10 7
137	16	W	4 38 7 14	11 19	2 7	4 43 7 10	11 14	11 37	4 47 7 5	11 9	11 54	5 1 6 52	10 55	10 53
138	17	Th	4 37 7 15	mo.	2 53	4 42 7 11	11 59	mo.	4 46 7 6	11 54	mo.	5 0 6 52	11 41	11 42
139	18	Fr	4 36 7 16	0 3	3 42	4 41 7 12	mo.	0 28	4 45 7 7	mo.	mo.	4 59 6 53	mo.	mo.
140	19	Sa	4 35 7 17	0 54	4 36	4 40 7 13	0 50	1 23	4 45 7 8	0 37	0 36	4 59 6 54	0 25	0 36
141	20	S	4 34 7 18	1 19	5 34	4 39 7 14	1 16	2 20	4 44 7 9	1 13	1 34	4 58 6 55	1 4	1 34
142	21	M	4 33 7 20	1 55	6 37	4 38 7 15	1 53	3 23	4 43 7 10	1 51	2 37	4 58 6 55	1 45	2 37
143	22	Tu	4 32 7 21	2 26	7 38	4 37 7 16	2 25	4 23	4 42 7 11	2 25	3 33	4 57 6 56	2 22	3 33
144	23	W	4 32 7 21	2 59	8 36	4 37 7 16	2 59	5 21	4 42 7 11	3 0	4 36	4 57 6 57	3 0	4 36
145	24	Th	4 31 7 22	3 32	9 33	4 36 7 17	3 34	6 20	4 41 7 12	3 35	5 33	4 56 6 58	3 40	5 33
146	25	Fr	4 30 7 23	4 8	10 28	4 35 7 18	4 11	7 13	4 40 7 13	4 14	6 28	4 56 6 58	4 22	6 28
147	26	Sa	4 30 7 24	rises	11 19	4 35 7 19	rises	8 1	4 40 7 14	rises	7 19	4 55 6 58	rises	7 19
148	27	S	4 29 7 25	8 48	ev 9	4 34 7 20	8 43	8 55	4 39 7 15	8 38	8 24	4 55 6 59	8 24	8 24
149	28	M	4 28 7 26	9 51	1 3	4 33 7 21	9 46	9 49	4 39 7 15	9 41	9 3	4 54 7 0	9 26	9 3
150	29	Tu	4 27 7 27	10 45	1 56	4 33 7 21	10 39	10 38	4 38 7 16	10 35	9 56	4 54 7 0	10 21	9 56
151	30	W	4 27 7 27	11 31	2 47	4 32 7 22	11 26	11 31	4 38 7 17	11 22	10 47	4 53 7 1	11 10	10 47
152	31	Th	4 26 7 28	mo.	3 40	4 32 7 23	mo.	ev 26	4 37 7 18	mo.	ev 34	4 53 7 2	11 52	11 40
			4 26 7 29	0 10	4 34	4 31 7 24	0 6	1 21	4 37 7 18	0 3		4 53 7 2	mo.	ev 34

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			Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Moon rises.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Moon rises.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
153	1	Fr	4 25	7 30	0 42	5 28	4 31	7 25	0 39	2 14	4 31	7 25	0 39	2 14
154	2	Sa	4 25	7 31	1 11	6 24	4 30	7 25	1 9	3 7	4 30	7 25	1 9	3 7
155	3	S	4 24	7 31	1 37	7 14	4 30	7 26	1 37	3 59	4 30	7 26	1 37	3 59
156	4	M	4 24	7 32	2 3	8 1	4 30	7 27	2 4	4 46	4 30	7 27	2 4	4 46
157	5	Tu	4 24	7 33	2 28	8 49	4 29	7 27	2 29	5 34	4 29	7 27	2 29	5 34
158	6	W	4 23	7 33	2 56	9 34	4 29	7 28	2 58	6 20	4 29	7 28	2 58	6 20
159	7	Th	4 23	7 34	3 24	10 15	4 29	7 29	3 27	7 2	4 29	7 29	3 27	7 2
160	8	Fr	4 23	7 35	3 55	10 59	4 29	7 29	3 59	7 42	4 29	7 29	3 59	7 42
161	9	Sa	4 23	7 35	sets	11 39	4 28	7 30	sets	8 21	4 28	7 30	sets	8 21
162	10	S	4 23	7 36	8 25	mo.	4 28	7 30	8 21	9 7	4 28	7 30	8 21	9 7
163	11	M	4 22	7 36	9 16	0 21	4 28	7 31	9 12	9 50	4 28	7 31	9 12	9 50
164	12	Tu	4 22	7 37	10 4	1 4	4 28	7 31	9 59	10 33	4 28	7 31	9 59	10 33
165	13	W	4 22	7 37	10 45	1 49	4 28	7 32	10 41	11 16	4 28	7 32	10 41	11 16
166	14	Th	4 22	7 38	11 22	2 34	4 28	7 32	11 19	mo.	4 28	7 32	11 19	mo.
167	15	Fr	4 22	7 38	11 57	3 22	4 28	7 33	11 55	0 7	4 28	7 33	11 55	0 7
168	16	Sa	4 22	7 39	mo.	4 11	4 28	7 33	mo.	1 53	4 28	7 33	mo.	1 53
169	17	S	4 22	7 39	0 28	5 7	4 28	7 33	0 27	1 53	4 28	7 33	0 27	1 53
170	18	M	4 22	7 39	1 0	6 6	4 28	7 34	1 0	2 52	4 28	7 34	1 0	2 52
171	19	Tu	4 23	7 40	1 30	7 7	4 28	7 34	1 31	3 52	4 28	7 34	1 31	3 52
172	20	W	4 23	7 40	2 5	8 11	4 28	7 34	2 7	4 55	4 28	7 34	2 7	4 55
173	21	Th	4 23	7 40	2 42	9 11	4 29	7 34	2 45	5 57	4 29	7 34	2 45	5 57
174	22	Fr	4 23	7 40	3 25	10 9	4 29	7 35	3 29	6 55	4 29	7 35	3 29	6 55
175	23	Sa	4 24	7 41	ris	11 6	4 29	7 35	ris	7 49	4 29	7 35	ris	7 49
176	24	S	4 24	7 41	8 30	11 58	4 30	7 35	8 26	8 41	4 30	7 35	8 26	8 41
177	25	M	4 24	7 41	9 24	ev 47	4 30	7 35	9 19	9 33	4 30	7 35	9 19	9 33
178	26	Tu	4 24	7 41	10 5	1 39	4 30	7 35	10 2	10 24	4 30	7 35	10 2	10 24
179	27	W	4 25	7 41	10 44	2 25	4 31	7 35	10 41	11 8	4 31	7 35	10 41	11 8
180	28	Th	4 25	7 41	11 12	3 11	4 31	7 35	11 10	11 56	4 31	7 35	11 10	11 56
181	29	Fr	4 26	7 41	11 40	3 57	4 31	7 35	11 39	ev 43	4 31	7 35	11 39	ev 43
182	30	Sa	4 26	7 41	mo.	4 44	4 32	7 35	mo.	1 31	4 32	7 35	mo.	1 31

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				Sun rises, sets.	H. M.	H. M.	H. W. rises, sets.	Sun rises, sets.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	Sun rises, sets.	Sun rises, sets.	H. M.	H. M.	Sun rises, sets.	Sun rises, sets.	H. M.	H. M.
183	1	S	12 3 41	4 27 7 41	0 6	5 34		4 32 7 35	0 6	2 20	0 6	4 38 7 29	0 6	4 55 7 12	0 6	4 56 7 12	0 6	1 34	
184	2	M	12 3 52	4 27 7 40	0 32	6 25		4 33 7 35	0 33	3 11	0 34	4 39 7 29	0 34	4 56 7 12	0 37	4 57 12	0 37	2 25	
185	3	Tu	12 4 3	4 28 7 40	1 0	7 18		4 33 7 35	1 2	4 3	1 4	4 39 7 29	1 4	4 56 7 12	1 9	4 57 12	1 9	3 18	
186	4	W	12 4 14	4 28 7 40	1 26	8 8		4 34 7 34	1 29	4 52	1 32	4 40 7 29	1 32	4 57 12	1 40	4 57 12	1 40	4 8	
187	5	Th	12 4 24	4 29 7 40	1 58	8 58		4 35 7 34	2 1	5 43	2 5	4 40 7 28	2 5	4 57 12	2 16	4 57 12	2 16	4 58	
188	6	Fr	12 4 34	4 30 7 39	2 33	9 45		4 35 7 34	2 38	6 31	3 24	4 41 7 28	3 24	4 58 7 11	2 54	4 58 7 11	2 54	5 45	
189	7	Sa	12 4 44	4 30 7 39	3 14	10 32		4 36 7 33	3 18	7 17	4 10	4 41 7 28	4 10	4 59 7 11	3 37	4 59 7 11	3 37	6 32	
190	8	S	12 4 53	4 31 7 39	4 0	11 19		4 37 7 33	4 5	8 1	4 27	4 42 7 28	4 27	4 59 7 11	4 25	4 59 7 11	4 25	7 19	
191	9	M	12 5 2	4 32 7 38	sets	mo.		4 37 7 33	sets	8 46	4 43	4 43 7 27	sets	5 07 11	sets	5 07 11	sets	8 1	
192	10	Tu	12 5 10	4 32 7 38	8 45	0 1		4 38 7 32	8 41	9 32	8 37	4 43 7 27	8 37	5 07 11	8 24	5 07 11	8 24	8 46	
193	11	W	12 5 18	4 33 7 37	9 24	0 46		4 39 7 32	9 21	10 15	9 17	4 44 7 26	9 17	5 07 10	9 7	5 07 10	9 7	9 30	
194	12	Th	12 5 26	4 34 7 36	10 0	1 30		4 39 7 31	9 57	10 58	9 55	4 45 7 26	9 55	5 17 10	9 47	5 17 10	9 47	10 16	
195	13	Fr	12 5 33	4 35 7 36	10 41	2 16		4 40 7 31	10 40	11 44	10 38	4 45 7 26	10 38	5 27 9	11 0	5 27 9	11 0	11 48	
196	14	Sa	12 5 39	4 36 7 36	11 3	3 0		4 41 7 30	11 3	mo.	11 2	4 46 7 25	11 2	5 37 9	11 36	5 37 9	11 36	mo.	
197	15	S	12 5 45	4 36 7 35	11 33	3 48		4 42 7 30	11 33	0 34	0 39	4 47 7 25	11 34	5 37 8	mo.	5 37 8	mo.	0 39	
198	16	M	12 5 51	4 37 7 34	mo.	4 39		4 42 7 29	mo.	1 27	0 38	4 48 7 24	mo.	5 37 8	0 13	5 37 8	0 13	0 39	
199	17	Tu	12 5 56	4 38 7 34	0 6	5 38		4 43 7 29	0 7	2 24	0 9	4 49 7 23	0 45	5 37 8	0 54	5 37 8	0 54	2 42	
200	18	W	12 6 0	4 39 7 33	0 39	6 42		4 44 7 28	0 42	3 28	0 45	4 49 7 23	0 45	5 37 7	1 38	5 37 7	1 38	3 50	
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202	20	Fr	12 6 7	4 41 7 32	2 4	8 54		4 46 7 27	2 9	5 39	1 37	4 51 7 22	1 37	5 37 6	3 22	5 37 6	3 22	5 55	
203	21	Sa	12 6 10	4 42 7 31	2 58	9 55		4 47 7 26	3 2	6 41	2 13	4 51 7 21	3 7	5 37 5	4 11	5 37 5	4 11	6 33	
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206	24	Tu	12 6 15	4 44 7 28	8 38	ev 29		4 49 7 23	8 34	9 16	8 31	4 54 7 19	8 31	5 37 4	8 20	5 37 4	8 20	8 29	
207	25	W	12 6 15	4 45 7 27	9 11	1 13		4 50 7 22	9 9	9 59	9 6	4 55 7 18	9 6	5 37 4	8 59	5 37 4	8 59	9 13	
208	26	Th	12 6 15	4 46 7 26	9 41	1 57		4 51 7 21	9 39	10 39	10 39	4 56 7 17	9 38	5 37 3	9 33	5 37 3	9 33	9 57	
209	27	Fr	12 6 14	4 47 7 25	10 7	2 38		4 52 7 20	10 7	11 20	10 6	4 57 7 16	10 6	5 37 2	10 36	5 37 2	10 36	11 19	
210	28	Sa	12 6 13	4 48 7 24	10 34	3 19		4 53 7 19	10 34	ev 4	10 35	4 57 7 15	10 35	5 37 1	11 7	5 37 1	11 7	ev 1	
211	29	S	12 6 11	4 49 7 23	11 0	4 1		4 53 7 18	11 1	0 48	11 3	4 58 7 14	11 3	5 37 0	11 49	5 37 0	11 49	0 46	
212	30	M	12 6 8	4 50 7 22	11 38	4 46		4 54 7 17	11 40	1 33	11 42	4 59 7 13	11 42	5 37 0	12 59	5 37 0	12 59	0 46	
213	31	Tu	12 6 5	4 51 7 21	11 58	5 35		4 55 7 16	mo.	2 22	12 0	5 07 12	mo.	5 37 0	13 6	5 37 0	13 6	0 46	

MOON'S PHASES.

INTER-
COLONIAL.

EASTERN.

CENTRAL.

MOUNTAIN.

PACIFIC.

New Moon

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H. M.

H. M.

H. M.

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First Quarter

16

8 16 mo.

1 16 mo.

0 16 mo.

11 16 ev.

10 16 ev.

Full Moon

23

1 45 mo.

0 45 mo.

11 45 ev.

10 45 ev.

9 45 ev.

Last Quarter.

30

4 29 ev.

3 29 ev.

2 29 ev.

1 29 ev.

0 29 ev.

DAY OF YEAR.	DAY OF MONTH.	DAY OF WEEK.	SUN AT NOON MARK. WASHINGTON MEAN TIME.	CALENDAR FOR Boston; New England, New York State, Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa and Oregon.		CALENDAR FOR New York city; Phila- delphia, Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsyl- vania, Ohio, Ind. & Ill.		CALENDAR for Washington; Maryl'd, Virginia, Kentucky, Missis- souri & Califor' a.		CALENDAR FOR Charleston; N. Caroli- na, Tennessee, Geor- gia, Alabama, Missis- sippi and Louisiana.		
				Sun rises.	H. M.	Sun rises.	H. M.	Sun rises.	H. M.	Sun rises.	H. M.	Sun rises.	H. M.
214	1	W	12 6	1	4 52	7 20	mo.	4 52	7 15	0	3	15
215	2	Th	12 57	4	4 53	7 19	0 31	4 57	7 14	0 35	4	10
216	3	Fr	12 55	4	4 54	7 17	1 10	4 58	7 13	1 15	5	8
217	4	Sa	12 54	4	4 55	7 16	1 54	4 59	7 12	1 58	6	2
218	5	S	12 54	4	4 56	7 15	2 43	5 0	7 11	2 48	6	53
219	6	M	12 53	4	4 57	7 14	3 41	5 10	7 10	3 45	7	40
220	7	Tu	12 52	4	4 58	7 13	sets	5 17	9	sets	8	25
221	8	W	12 51	5	4 59	7 12	sets	5 24	9	sets	9	10
222	9	Th	12 50	5	5 0	7 11	8 34	5 31	7	8 32	9	56
223	10	Fr	12 5	5	5 1	7 10	9 5	5 38	6	9 4	10	36
224	11	Sa	12 45	5	5 2	7 9	9 37	5 45	5	9 37	11	21
225	12	S	12 42	5	5 3	7 8	10 8	5 52	4	9 37	12	11
226	13	M	12 43	5	5 4	7 10	4 1	5 59	3	10 44	0	11
227	14	Tu	12 42	5	5 5	7 11	18	6 6	2	11 21	1	6
228	15	W	12 4	5	6	7 3	11 18	6 13	1	12 1	2	33
229	16	Th	12 35	5	7	7 1	mo.	6 20	5	mo.	2	3
230	17	Fr	12 34	5	8	7 0	0	6 27	4	5	3	11
231	18	Sa	12 32	5	9	6 58	0 49	6 34	3	5 54	4	20
232	19	S	12 31	5	10	6 57	1 46	6 41	2	6 54	5	28
233	20	M	12 3	5	11	6 56	2 49	6 48	1	7 53	6	29
234	21	Tu	12 24	5	12	6 54	3 53	6 55	0	8 58	7	32
235	22	W	12 23	5	13	6 52	ris	7 0	0	9	8	35
236	23	Th	12 21	5	14	6 51	7 40	7 07	0	10	9	48
237	24	Fr	12 19	5	15	6 48	8 36	7 14	0	11	10	51
238	25	Sa	12 14	5	16	6 46	9 1	7 21	0	12	11	54
239	26	S	12 12	5	17	6 44	9 28	7 28	0	13	12	57
240	27	M	12 1	5	18	6 43	9 56	7 35	0	14	13	59
241	28	Tu	12 0	5	19	6 41	10 29	7 42	0	15	14	59
242	29	W	12 0	5	20	6 39	11 4	7 49	0	16	15	59
243	30	Th	12 0	5	21	6 38	11 45	7 56	0	17	16	59
244	31	Fr	11 59	5	22	6 36	11 45	8 0	0	18	17	59

MOON'S PHASES.		INTER-COLONIAL.		EASTERN.		CENTRAL.		MOUNTAIN.		PACIFIC.	
	D.	H. M.		H. M.		H. M.		H. M.		H. M.	
New Moon	5	0 56 mo.		11 56 ev.		10 56 ev.		9 56 ev.		8 56 ev.	
First Quarter	12	6 0 ev.		5 0 ev.		4 0 ev.		3 0 ev.		2 0 ev.	
Full Moon	20	1 24 mo.		0 24 mo.		11 24 ev.		10 24 ev.		9 24 ev.	
Last Quarter	28	4 30 mo.		3 30 mo.		2 30 mo.		1 30 mo.		0 30 mo.	

CALENDAR FOR

Charleston; N. Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana.

Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Moon rises.	H. W. tides.	Ch'ton.
H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
5 35	6 25	0 57	3 49	
5 35	6 24	1 51	4 48	
5 36	6 23	2 48	5 42	
5 37	6 21	3 48	6 33	
5 37	6 20	4 50	7 18	
5 38	6 19	sets	8 3	
5 39	6 17	7 36	8 48	
5 39	6 16	8 14	9 32	
5 40	6 15	8 52	10 19	
5 40	6 13	9 35	11 7	
5 41	6 12	10 20	mo.	
5 42	6 11	11 10	0 2	
5 42	6 9	mo.	1 6	
5 43	6 8	0 5	2 12	
5 44	6 7	1 4	3 23	
5 44	6 5	2 5	4 28	
5 45	6 4	3 5	5 24	
5 46	6 2	4 7	6 15	
5 46	6 1	5 5	6 59	
5 47	6 0	rises	7 38	
5 48	5 58	7 5	8 14	
5 48	5 57	7 36	8 50	
5 49	5 56	8 9	9 27	
5 50	5 54	8 45	10 6	
5 50	5 53	9 21	10 47	
5 51	5 52	10 38	ev 18	
5 52	5 50	11 48	1 12	
5 53	5 49	mo.	2 12	
5 54	5 46	0 32	3 16	

CALENDAR

for Washington; Maryland, Virginia, Kentucky, Missouri & Califor. a.

Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Moon rises.	H. W. tides.
H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
5 29	6 31	0 43	
5 30	6 29	1 30	
5 31	6 28	2 35	
5 32	6 26	3 30	
5 33	6 25	4 42	
5 33	6 23	sets	
5 34	6 21	7 36	
5 35	6 20	8 11	
5 36	6 18	8 46	
5 37	6 17	9 25	
5 38	6 15	10 8	
5 39	6 14	10 56	
5 40	6 12	11 50	
5 41	6 10	mo.	
5 42	6 9	0 49	
5 42	6 7	1 50	
5 43	6 6	2 54	
5 44	6 4	3 58	
5 45	6 2	5 0	
5 46	6 1	rises	
5 47	5 59	7 3	
5 48	5 57	7 31	
5 49	5 56	8 1	
5 50	5 54	8 35	
5 51	5 53	9 9	
5 52	5 51	9 49	
5 53	5 49	10 33	
5 53	5 48	11 33	
5 54	5 46	mo.	
5 55	5 45	0 18	

CALENDAR FOR

New York city; Philadelphia, Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Ind. & Ill.

Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Moon rises.	H. W. tides.	N. Y.
H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
5 27	6 33	0 38	4 34	
5 28	6 31	1 31	5 33	
5 29	6 29	2 30	6 28	
5 30	6 28	3 33	7 18	
5 31	6 26	4 39	8 0	
5 32	6 24	sets	8 48	
5 33	6 23	7 37	9 34	
5 34	6 21	8 10	10 17	
5 35	6 19	8 44	11 1	
5 36	6 18	9 22	11 52	
5 37	6 16	10 4	mo.	
5 38	6 15	10 51	0 49	
5 39	6 13	11 45	1 52	
5 40	6 11	mo.	2 58	
5 41	6 9	0 44	4 8	
5 42	6 8	1 47	5 13	
5 43	6 6	2 50	6 10	
5 44	6 4	3 55	7 1	
5 45	6 3	4 58	7 42	
5 46	6 1	rises	8 20	
5 47	5 59	7 2	9 0	
5 48	5 58	7 30	9 36	
5 49	5 56	7 59	10 12	
5 50	5 54	8 31	10 48	
5 51	5 53	9 5	11 29	
5 52	5 51	9 44	ev 15	
5 53	5 49	10 28	1 5	
5 54	5 48	11 27	1 58	
5 55	5 46	mo.	2 58	
5 56	5 44	0 13	4 1	

CALENDAR FOR

Boston; New England, New York State, Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa and Oregon.

Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Moon rises.	H. W. tides.	Boston.
H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
5 25	6 35	0 33	7 49	
5 26	6 33	1 27	8 43	
5 27	6 31	2 26	9 42	
5 28	6 29	3 29	10 33	
5 29	6 28	4 36	11 18	
5 31	6 26	sets	mo.	
5 32	6 24	7 37	0 3	
5 33	6 22	8 9	0 43	
5 34	6 21	8 42	1 32	
5 35	6 19	9 19	2 19	
5 36	6 17	10 0	3 7	
5 37	6 15	10 46	4 2	
5 38	6 14	11 40	5 6	
5 39	6 12	mo.	6 12	
5 40	6 10	0 40	7 23	
5 41	6 8	1 43	8 28	
5 42	6 7	2 46	9 24	
5 43	6 5	3 52	10 15	
5 44	6 3	4 56	10 59	
5 45	6 1	rises	11 38	
5 46	0	7 1	ev 14	
5 47	5 58	7 28	0 50	
5 48	5 57	7 56	1 27	
5 49	5 54	8 28	2 6	
5 50	5 52	9 1	2 47	
5 51	5 51	9 39	3 29	
5 52	5 49	10 23	4 18	
5 53	5 47	11 23	5 12	
5 54	5 45	mo.	6 12	
5 56	5 44	0 8	7 16	

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10th MONTH.

OCTOBER.

31 DAYS.

MOON'S PHASES.

INTER-COLONIAL.

EASTERN.

CENTRAL.

MOUNTAIN.

PACIFIC.

New Moon	5	10 34 mo.	9 34 mo.	8 34 mo.	7 34 mo.	6 34 mo.
First Quarter	12	1 29 mo.	0 29 mo.	11 29 ev.	10 29 ev.	9 29 ev.
Full Moon	19	5 9 ev.	4 9 ev.	3 9 ev.	2 9 ev.	1 9 ev.
Last Quarter	27	9 55 ev.	8 55 ev.	7 55 ev.	6 55 ev.	5 55 ev.

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MOON'S PHASES.				INTER-COLONIAL.	EASTERN.	CENTRAL.	MOUNTAIN.	PACIFIC.
				H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
New Moon			D. 3	8 2 ev.	7 2 ev.	6 2 ev.	5 2 ev.	4 2 ev.
First Quarter			10	0 15 ev.	11 15 mo.	10 15 mo.	9 15 mo.	8 15 mo.
Full Moon			18	11 15 mo.	10 15 mo.	9 15 mo.	8 15 mo.	7 15 mo.
Last Quarter			26	1 20 ev.	0 20 ev.	11 20 mo.	10 20 mo.	9 20 mo.

CALENDAR FOR Charleston; N. Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana.				Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Moon rises.	H. W. Cl. ton.
				H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
306				6 18 5	9 3 24	5 34	
307				6 19 5	8 4 31	6 25	
308				6 20 5	8 5 41	7 16	
309				6 21 5	7 sets	8 3	
310				6 22 5	6 52	8 54	
311				6 23 5	5 7 47	9 48	
312				6 24 5	4 8 47	10 43	
313				6 24 5	4 9 48	11 38	
314				6 25 5	3 10 51	mo.	
315				6 26 5	2 11 53	0 38	
316				6 27 5	2 mo.	1 37	
317				6 28 5	1 0 53	2 38	
318				6 29 5	0 1 51	3 34	
319				6 30 5	0 2 46	4 25	
320				6 31 4	59 3 42	5 11	
321				6 32 4	59 4 35	5 54	
322				6 33 4	58 5 29	6 34	
323				6 33 4	58 rises	7 13	
324				6 34 4	57 5 57	7 51	
325				6 35 4	57 6 39	8 30	
326				6 36 4	56 7 25	9 11	
327				6 37 4	56 8 16	9 53	
328				6 38 4	56 9 10	10 38	
329				6 39 4	55 10 5	11 25	
330				6 40 4	55 11 4	ev 13	
331				6 41 4	55 mo.	1 9	
332				6 42 4	54 1 3	2 6	
333				6 43 4	54 2 9	3 5	
334				6 44 4	54 3 15	5 3	

CALENDAR for Washington; Mary'd, Virginia, Kentucky, Mis- souri and Califor a.				Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Moon rises.	H. M.
				H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
306				6 28 5	0 3 22		
307				6 29 4	59 4 32		
308				6 30 4	58 5 46		
309				6 31 4	57 sets		
310				6 32 4	56 6 39		
311				6 33 4	55 7 32		
312				6 34 4	54 8 31		
313				6 35 4	53 9 33		
314				6 37 4	52 10 38		
315				6 38 4	51 11 42		
316				6 39 4	50 mo.		
317				6 40 4	49 0 45		
318				6 41 4	48 1 46		
319				6 42 4	47 2 44		
320				6 43 4	47 3 43		
321				6 44 4	46 4 40		
322				6 45 4	45 5 36		
323				6 47 4	44 rises		
324				6 48 4	44 5 44		
325				6 49 4	43 6 24		
326				6 50 4	43 7 9		
327				6 51 4	42 8 0		
328				6 52 4	42 8 55		
329				6 53 4	41 9 53		
330				6 54 4	41 10 54		
331				6 55 4	40 11 56		
332				6 56 4	40 mo.		
333				6 57 4	39 1 1		
334				6 58 4	39 2 9		
335				6 59 4	39 3 18		

CALENDAR FOR New York city; Phila- delphia, Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylv- ania, Ohio, Ind. & Ill.				Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Moon rises.	H. M.
				H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
306				6 30 4	57 3 21	6 20	
307				6 31 4	56 4 33	7 10	
308				6 33 4	55 5 48	7 58	
309				6 34 4	54 sets	8 48	
310				6 35 4	52 6 34	9 40	
311				6 37 4	51 7 27	10 32	
312				6 38 4	50 8 26	11 25	
313				6 39 4	49 9 28	mo.	
314				6 40 4	48 10 34	0 24	
315				6 41 4	47 11 38	1 25	
316				6 43 4	46 mo.	2 23	
317				6 44 4	45 0 43	3 24	
318				6 45 4	44 1 45	4 19	
319				6 46 4	43 2 44	5 10	
320				6 47 4	42 3 44	5 57	
321				6 49 4	42 4 41	6 40	
322				6 50 4	41 5 39	7 19	
323				6 51 4	40 rises	7 55	
324				6 52 4	39 5 39	8 34	
325				6 53 4	39 6 19	9 17	
326				6 54 4	38 7 4	9 57	
327				6 56 4	37 7 55	10 35	
328				6 57 4	37 8 50	11 20	
329				6 58 4	36 9 49	ev 10	
330				6 59 4	35 10 50	1 55	
331				7 0 4	35 11 54	2 52	
332				7 1 4	35 mo.	3 50	
333				7 2 4	34 1 0	4 50	
334				7 3 4	34 2 8	5 48	
335				7 4 4	34 3 19		

CALENDAR FOR Boston; New England, New York State, Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa and Oregon.				Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Moon rises.	H. W. Boston.
				H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
306				6 34 4	54 3 20	9 34	
307				6 35 4	52 4 33	10 25	
308				6 36 4	51 5 49	11 16	
309				6 38 4	50 sets	mo.	
310				6 39 4	49 6 30	0 3	
311				6 40 4	48 7 22	0 54	
312				6 41 4	46 8 21	1 48	
313				6 43 4	45 9 24	2 43	
314				6 44 4	44 10 30	3 38	
315				6 45 4	43 11 35	4 38	
316				6 46 4	42 mo.	5 37	
317				6 47 4	41 0 40	6 38	
318				6 49 4	40 1 43	7 34	
319				6 50 4	39 2 43	8 25	
320				6 51 4	38 3 44	9 11	
321				6 53 4	37 4 43	9 54	
322				6 54 4	37 5 41	10 34	
323				6 55 4	36 rises	11 13	
324				6 56 4	35 5 35	11 51	
325				6 58 4	34 6 12	ev 30	
326				6 59 4	34 6 59	1 11	
327				7 0 4	33 7 50	1 53	
328				7 1 4	32 8 45	2 38	
329				7 2 4	32 9 44	3 25	
330				7 3 4	31 10 47	4 13	
331				7 4 4	31 11 51	5 9	
332				7 5 4	30 mo.	6 6	
333				7 6 4	30 0 58	7 5	
334				7 7 4	30 2 8	8 6	
335				7 9 4	29 3 20	9 3	

Sun at Noon Washington Maine.		Day of Week.		Day of Month.		Day of Year.	
H. M.	S.						
11 43	39	Th		1		306	
11 43	39	Fr		2		307	
11 43	40	Sa		3		308	
11 43	41	S		4		309	
11 43	44	M		5		310	
11 43	47	Tu		6		311	
11 43	51	W		7		312	
11 43	56	Th		8		313	
11 44	1	Fr		9		314	
11 44	8	S		10		315	
11 44	15	Tu		11		316	
11 44	23	W		12		317	
11 44	32	Th		13		318	
11 44	42	Fr		14		319	
11 44	52	Sa		15		320	
11 45	4	Fr		16		321	
11 45	16	S		17		322	
11 45	29	M		18		323	
11 45	43	Tu		19		324	
11 45	58	W		20		325	
11 46	13	Th		21		326	
11 46	29	Fr		22		327	
11 47	47	Sa		23		328	
11 47	4	S		24		329	
11 47	23	M		25		330	
11 47	43	Tu		26		331	
11 48	3	W		27		332	
11 48	24	Th		28		333	
11 48	45	Fr		29		334	
11 49	8	S		30		335	

MOON'S PHASES.		INTER-COLONIAL.		EASTERN.		CENTRAL.		MOUNTAIN.		PACIFIC.	
	D.	H.	M.	H.	M.	H.	M.	H.	M.	H.	M.
New Moon	3	6	5 mo.	5	5 mo.	4	5 mo.	3	5 mo.	2	5 mo.
First Quarter	10	2	46 mo.	1	46 mo.	0	46 mo.	11	46 ev.	10	46 ev.
Full Moon	18	6	41 mo.	5	41 mo.	4	41 mo.	3	41 mo.	2	41 mo.
Last Quarter.	26	2	0 mo.	1	0 mo.	12	0 ev.	11	0 ev.	10	0 ev.

New York city; Philadelphia, Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Ind. & Ill.														
Boston; New England, New York State, Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa and Oregon.														
for Washington, Maryland, Virginia, Kentucky, Missouri & California.														
Charleston; N. Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana.														
Day of Year.	Day of Month.	Day of Week.	Sun at Noon Mean time.	H. M. S.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	H. W. rises.	H. W. sets.	Moon rises.	Moon sets.	Sun rises.	Sun sets.	Moon rises.	Moon sets.
336	1	Sa	11 49 31	7 10 4	29	4 36	9 58	7 54	34	4 34	4 34	6 44	7 04	39
337	2	S	11 49 54	7 11 4	28	5 44	10 54	7 6	33	5 40	7 37	7 37	7 14	38
338	3	M	11 50 18	7 12 4	28	sets	11 46	7 7	43	sets	8 29	8 29	7 24	38
339	4	Tu	11 50 43	7 13 4	28	6 0 mo.		7 8	43	6 5	9 25	9 25	7 34	38
340	5	W	11 51 8	7 14 4	28	7 4	0 39	7 9	43	7 9	10 19	10 19	7 44	38
341	6	Th	11 51 34	7 15 4	28	8 12	1 34	7 10	43	8 17	11 11	11 11	7 54	38
342	7	Fr	11 52 1	7 16 4	28	9 22	2 28	7 11	43	9 25	mo.	0 5	7 6	43
343	8	Sa	11 52 27	7 17 4	28	10 29	3 20	7 12	43	10 31	0 5	0 58	7 7	43
344	9	S	11 52 54	7 18 4	28	11 33	4 11	7 13	43	11 35	0 58	1 52	7 8	43
345	10	M	11 53 22	7 19 4	28	mo.	5 6	7 14	43	mo.	1 52	2 46	7 9	43
346	11	Tu	11 53 50	7 20 4	28	0 36	6 0	7 14	43	0 37	2 46	3 36	7 10	43
347	12	W	11 54 18	7 21 4	28	1 37	6 50	7 15	43	1 37	3 36	4 27	7 11	43
348	13	Th	11 54 47	7 22 4	28	2 35	7 42	7 16	43	2 34	4 27	5 16	7 12	43
349	14	Fr	11 55 16	7 23 4	28	3 34	8 31	7 17	43	3 32	5 16	6 3	7 13	43
350	15	Sa	11 55 45	7 24 4	28	4 33	9 17	7 18	43	4 30	6 47	7 29	7 14	43
351	16	S	11 56 14	7 25 4	29	5 30	10 1	7 19	43	5 26	7 29	8 9	7 14	43
352	17	M	11 56 44	7 26 4	29	6 26	10 45	7 19	43	6 21	7 29	8 9	7 14	43
353	18	Tu	11 57 13	7 27 4	29	ris	11 26	7 19	43	ris	8 9	9 33	7 15	43
354	19	W	11 57 43	7 28 4	30	5 46 ev	8	7 20	43	5 51	8 53	10 18	7 16	43
355	20	Th	11 58 13	7 29 4	30	6 41	0 49	7 21	43	6 45	9 35	10 59	7 17	43
356	21	Fr	11 58 43	7 30 4	31	7 37	1 33	7 22	43	7 41	10 18	11 45	7 18	43
357	22	Sa	11 59 13	7 31 4	31	8 39	2 17	7 23	43	8 42	10 59	12 1	7 19	43
358	23	S	11 59 43	7 32 4	32	9 42	3 0	7 24	43	9 45	11 45	12 1	7 20	43
359	24	M	12 0 13	7 33 4	32	10 47	3 47	7 25	43	10 49 ev	12 1	1 24	7 21	43
360	25	Tu	12 0 42	7 34 4	33	11 51	4 37	7 26	43	11 52	1 24	2 18	7 22	43
361	26	W	12 1 12	7 35 4	34	1 2	5 32	7 27	43	mo.	2 18	3 16	7 23	43
362	27	Th	12 1 42	7 36 4	34	1 2	6 30	7 28	43	1 1	3 16	4 19	7 24	43
363	28	Fr	12 2 11	7 37 4	35	2 11	7 34	7 29	43	2 9	4 19	5 21	7 25	43
364	29	Sa	12 2 40	7 38 4	36	3 26	8 36	7 30	43	3 23	5 21	6 24	7 26	43
365	30	S	12 3 9	7 39 4	37	4 40	9 38	7 31	43	4 37	6 24	7 22	7 27	43
366	31	M	12 3 38	7 40 4	37	5 55	10 37	7 32	43	5 51	7 22	8 22	7 28	43

THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Bishops Ord'd.	NAMES.	BORN.	ENT'D MINISTRY.		REMARKS.
			Conference.	Year.	
1754	Thomas Coke.....	Sept. 9, 1747	Brit. Wes.	1778	Died at sea, May 3, 1814, aged 67.
1754	Francis Asbury.....	Aug. 20, 1745	Brit. Wes.	1766	Died in Va., March 31, 1816, aged 71.
1880	Richard Whatcoat...	Feb. 23, 1736	Brit. Wes.	1769	Died in Del., July 5, 1806, aged 71.
1808	William M'Kendree....	July 5, 1757	M. E. Ch.	1788	Died in Tenn., March 5, 1835, aged 78.
1816	Enoch George.....	Mar. 10, 1768	M. E. Ch.	1790	Died in Va., Aug. 23, 1828, aged 60.
1816	Robert R. Roberts...	Aug. 2, 1778	Baltimore	1802	Died in Ind., March 28, 1843, aged 65.
1824	Joshua Soule.....	Aug. 1, 1781	New York	1799	Bish. M. E. Ch., South, '46, d. Mar. 6, '67.
1824	Elijah Hedding.....	Jan. 7, 1780	New York	1801	Died in Po'keepsie, Apr. 9, 1852, aged 72.
1832	James O. Andrew.....	.....	1794 S. Carol'a	1812	Bish. M. E. Ch., South, '46, d. Mar. 1, '71.
1832	John Emory.....	Apr. 11, 1789	Phila.	1810	Died in Md., Dec. 16, 1835, aged 47.
1836	Beverly Waugh.....	Oct. 8, 1789	Baltimore	1809	Died in Md., Feb. 9, 1855, aged 69.
1836	Thomas A. Morris.....	Apr. 29, 1794	Ohio.....	1816	Died in Springfield, O., Sept. 2, '74, ag. 80.
1844	Leonidas L. Hamline	May 10, 1797	Ohio.....	1833	Resigned 1852; d. in Iowa, Mar. 22, '65.
1844	Edmund S. Janes.....	Apr. 27, 1807	Phila.....	1830	Died in N. Y. city, Sept. 18, '76, aged 69.
1852	Levi Scott.....	Oct. 11, 1802	Phila.....	1826	Died in Odessa, Del., July 13, '82, ag. 80.
1852	Matthew Simpson.....	June 20, 1811	Pittsburg.	1838	Died in Phila., June 18, 1884, aged 73.
1852	Osmon C. Baker.....	July 30, 1813	N. Hamp.	1839	Died in Conc'd, N. H., Dec. 20, '71, ag. 59.
1852	Edward E. Ames.....	Mar. 20, 1806	Illinois...	1830	Died in Baltimore, April 25, '79, ag. 73.
1864	Davis Wasgatt Clark...	Feb. 25, 1812	New York	1843	Died in Cincinnati, May 23, '71, ag. 59.
1864	Edward Thomson.....	Oct. 12, 1810	Ohio.....	1825	Died in Wheeling, W. Va., Mar. 22, '70.
1864	Calvin Kingsley.....	Oct. 11, 1812	Erie.....	1841	Died in Beyroot, Syria, April 6, 1870.
1872	Thomas Bowman.....	July 15, 1817	Baltimore	1839	Residence, St. Louis.
1872	William L. Harris.....	Nov. 4, 1817	Michigan	1837	Died in N. Y. city, Sept. 2, 1887, ag. 70.
1872	Randolph S. Foster...	Feb. 22, 1820	Ohio.....	1837	Residence, Boston.
1872	Isaac W. Wiley.....	Mar. 29, 1825	Phila.....	1843	Died in Foochow, China, Nov. 22, 1884.
1872	Stephen M. Merrill...	Sept. 16, 1825	Ohio.....	1846	Residence, Chicago.
1872	Edward G. Andrews...	Aug. 7, 1825	Oncida....	1848	Residence, Washington, D. C.
1872	Gilbert Haven.....	Sept. 10, 1821	N. Eng'd.	1851	Died in Malden, Mass., Jan. 3, 1880.
1872	Jesse T. Peck.....	April 4, 1811	Oncida....	1832	D'd in Syracuse, N. Y., May 17, '83, ag. 72.
1880	Henry W. Warren.....	Jan. 4, 1831	N. Eng'd.	1855	Residence, Denver, Col.
1880	Cyrus D. Foss.....	Jan. 17, 1834	New York	1857	Residence, Minneapolis, Minn.
1880	John F. Hurst.....	Aug. 17, 1834	Newark...	1858	Residence, Buffalo, N. Y.
1880	Erastus O. Haven.....	Nov. 1, 1820	New York	1845	Died in Salem, Ore., Aug. 2, '81, ag. 61.
1884	William X. Ninde.....	June 21, 1832	Bl'k River	1856	Residence, Topeka, Kansas.
1884	John M. Walden.....	Feb. 11, 1831	Cincinnati	1858	Residence, Chattanooga, Tenn.
1884	Willard F. Mallalieu...	Dec. 11, 1823	N. Eng'd.	1858	Residence, New Orleans, La.
1884	Charles H. Fowler...	Aug. 11, 1837	R'k River	1861	Residence, San Francisco, Cal.

Missionary Bishops for Africa.

1858	Francis Burns.....	Dec. 5, 1809	Liberia..	1838	Died in Baltimore, April 18, '63, ag. 54.
1866	John W. Roberts....	Sept. 8, 1812	Liberia..	1838	Died in Liberia, Jan. 30, 1876, aged 63.
1884	William Taylor....	May 2, 1821	Baltimore	1843	St. Paul de Loanda, Africa.

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Secretary of the Board of Bishops, Bishop Andrews.

Foreign Missionary Tours of the Bishops.

I. Bishop Scott to Africa, 1852-53.—Sailed from Baltimore, November, 1852; returning, sailed from Monrovia, March 17, 1853.

II. Bishop Simpson to Europe and Syria, 1857.

III. Bishop Janes to Europe, 1861.—Sailed from New York, June 5; returning, reached New York, Aug. 21.

IV. Bishop Thomson to Europe, India, and China, 1861-65.—Sailed from New York, Aug. 24; returning, reached New York, May 16.

V. Bishop Janes to Europe, 1865.—Sailed from New York, April 26; returning, reached New York, Aug. 17.

VI. Bishop Kingsley to Japan, China, and India, 1869-70.—Sailed from San Francisco, Sept. 8, 1869; returning by way of Syria, visited Palestine, reaching Beyroot, April 4, where he died of heart disease, April 6, 1870.

VII. Bishop Simpson to Europe, 1870.

VIII. Bishop Harris "Round the World," 1873-74.—Left New York, May 6, 1873; embarked at San Francisco, June 6; returning, reached New York, Oct. 19, 1874.

IX. Bishop Gilbert Haven to Mexico, 1872-73.—Left New York, reaching Mexico at Vera Cruz, Dec. 27, 1872, his tour extending through three months, during which time he founded, in connection with Dr. William Butler, the Methodist Episcopal Church in Mexico.

X. Bishop Foster to Europe and South America, 1873.—Sailed from New York, May 24, 1873; returning, reached New York, Nov. 27.

XI. Bishop Simpson to Mexico, 1874.—Left New York, Jan. 5; returning, reached Philadelphia, March 28.

XII. Bishop Simpson to Europe, 1875.—Sailed from Philadelphia, June 10; returning, arrived in New York, Oct. 22.

XIII. Bishop Gilbert Haven to Africa, 1876-77.—Sailed from New York, Nov. 1, 1876; returning by way of Europe, reached New York, May 24, 1877.

XIV. Bishop Andrews to Europe and India, 1876-77.—Sailed from Philadelphia, June 20, 1876; returning, reached New York, Aug. 15, 1877.

XV. Bishop Wiley to Japan and China, 1877-78.—Sailed from San Francisco, Sept. 12, 1877; returning, reached San Francisco, April 24, 1878.

XVI. Bishop Merrill to Mexico, 1877-78.—Sailed from New York, Dec. 29, 1877; returning, reached New York, March 8, 1878.

XVII. Bishop Bowman to Europe and India, 1878-79.—Sailed from Philadelphia, May 13, 1878; returning, landed in New York, May 8, 1879.

XVIII. Bishop Wiley to Europe, 1879.—Left New York, June 10; returning, reached New York, Oct. 10.

XIX. Bishop Harris to Mexico, 1880.—Sailed from New Orleans, Jan. 26; returning, arrived in New York, March 21.

XX. Bishop Merrill to Europe and India, 1880-81.—Sailed from New York, July 6, 1880; returning, reached New York, April 16, 1881.

XXI. Bishop Peck to the Annual Conferences in North-western Europe and the Mission in Denmark, 1881.—Sailed from New York, May 1; returning, reached New York, Oct. 10.

XXII. Bishop Harris to South America and Europe, 1881-82.—Embarked at New York, Nov. 10, 1881; returning, reached New York, Aug. 21, 1882.

XXIII. Bishop Bowman to Japan and China, 1881-82.—Left his home in St. Louis, June 26, 1881; sailed from San Francisco, July 23; returning, reached St. Louis, Feb. 25, 1882.

XXIV. Bishop Andrews to Mexico, 1881-82.—Sailed from New York, reaching Vera Cruz, Jan. 9; returning by way of New Orleans, reached his home in Washington, D. C., March 5, 1882.

XXV. Bishop Foster to Europe and India, 1882-83.—Sailed from New York, Aug. 26, 1882; returning, reached New York, Sept. 1, 1883.

XXVI. Bishop Merrill to Japan and China, 1883-84.—Sailed from San Francisco in time to reach Yokohama, July 19, 1883; returning, reached his home in Chicago, Dec. 20, 1884.

XXVII. Bishop Wiley to Japan and China, 1884.—Sailed from San Francisco, July 26, 1884; died at Foochow, China, Nov. 22, 1884.

XXVIII. Bishop Hurst to Europe and India, 1884-85.—Sailed from New York, June 4, 1884; returning, reached New York, Sept. 5, 1885.

XXIX. Bishop Harris to Mexico, 1884-85.—Left New York, Dec. 19, 1884; arrived in City of Mexico, Jan. 1, 1885; returning, reached New York, February, 1885.

XXX. Missionary Bishop Taylor to Africa.—Sailed from New York, January 22, 1885.

XXXI. Bishop Foss to Europe, 1886.—Sailed from New York, Feb. 3, 1886; returning, reached New York, Sept. 10, 1886.

XXXII. Bishop Fowler to South America, 1885-86.—Sailed from New York, Dec. 23, 1885; returning via Europe, reached New York, July 19, 1886.

XXXIII. Bishop Ninde to Europe and India, 1886-87.—Sailed from New York, Sept. 2, 1886; returning, reached New York, August 25, 1887.

XXXIV.—Bishop Warren to Eastern Asia, 1887.—Sailed from San Francisco, July, Presided at Japan Conference held in Tokio Aug. 11. On Aug. 21 he preached to an audience of 1,500 in Meji Kaida, Tokio, (a building erected to provide a place for lectures hostile to Christianity,) Rev. J. H. Correll translating the sermon into Japanese. He presided at the North China Mission Conference held in Peking, Sept. 8, Central China Mission Conference held in Kiukiang, Oct. 6, and at Foochow Conference held in Foochow, Nov. 10. At the date of sending our *Year-Book* to press he was expected to arrive at San Francisco before the close of December, 1887.

XXXV.—Bishop Bowman to Mexico, 1888.

[For extended chronological historic notes of the first thirty Tours mentioned above see *Methodist Centennial Year-Book*, 1884, and the *Methodist Year-Books*, 1885-87.]

The Spring Conferences, 1888,

As ARRANGED BY THE BISHOPS AT THEIR MEETING IN NEW YORK, NOV. 8, 1887.

Conference.	Place.	Time.	Bishop.	Conference.	Place.	Time.	Bishop.
Arkansas.....	Little Rock, Ark.	Feb. 22....	Warren	New Jersey.....	Camden, N. J.	March 14....	Foss
Baltimore.....	Baltimore, Md.	March 7.....	Hurst	New York.....	Newburg, N. Y.	March 28.....	Andrews
Bengal.....	Calcutta, India.	Jan. 11.....	Foster	N. York East.....	Middletown, Conn.	April 4.....	Foss
Central Missouri.....	St. Louis, Mo.	March 21....	Fowler	Northern N. Y.....	Rome, N. Y.	April 4.....	Foster
Central Penn'a.....	Williamsport, Pa.	March 21....	Merrill	North India.....	Cawnpore, India.	Jan. 4.....	Foster
Delaware.....	Dover, Del.	April 18.....	Foss	North Indiana.....	Wabash, Ind.	April 11....	Merrill
Denmark.....	Svenborg, Denmark	June 28....	Mallalieu	N. W. Kansas.....	Salina, Kan.	March 21....	Bowman
East German.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.	April 11....	Andrews	Norway.....	Christiania, Norway	July 19.....	Mallalieu
East Maine.....	Rockland, Me.	April 18.....	Fowler	Philadelphia.....	Philadelphia, Pa.	March 14....	Hurst
Florida.....	Fernandina, Fla.	Jan. 18.....	Ninde	Saint John's Riv. St.	Augustine, Fla.	Jan. 11.....	Ninde
Germany.....	Zwickau, Germany	June 20....	Mallalieu	Saint Louis.....	Sedalia, Mo.	March 21....	Walden
Italy.....	Rome, Italy.	March 14....	Ninde	S. America Miss.	Buenos Ayres, S.A.	.....	Walden
Kansas.....	Topeka, Kan.	March 14....	Ninde	South Carolina.....	Charleston, S. C.	Feb. 1.....	Hurst
Lexington.....	Cincinnati, Ohio.	April 18.....	Merrill	South India.....	Bombay, India.	Jan. 18.....	Foster
Liberia.....	Monrovia, Africa.	Feb. 8.....	Taylor	South Kansas.....	Fort Scott, Kan.	March 7.....	Bowman
Little Rock.....	Little Rock, Ark.	Feb. 15.....	Warren	S. W. Kansas.....	Wichita, Kan.	March 14....	Bowman
Louisiana.....	New Orleans, La.	Jan. 25....	Warren	Sweden.....	Göthenberg, Swe.	July 11....	Mallalieu
Maine.....	Portland, Me.	April 11....	Fowler	Switzerland.....	Basel, Switz.	June 14....	Mallalieu
Mexico.....	Mexico City, Mex.	Jan. 11....	Bowman	Troy.....	Troy, N. Y.	April 11....	Foss
Mississippi.....	Grenada, Miss.	Feb. 1.....	Warren	Vermont.....	.....	April 11....	Foster
Missouri.....	Hannibal, Mo.	March 28....	Walden	Virginia.....	Berryville, Va.	Feb. 8.....	Hurst
Newark.....	Hoboken, N. J.	March 28....	Fowler	Washington.....	Baltimore, Md.	March 7.....	Walden
New England.....	Milford, Mass.	April 4.....	Andrews	Wilmington.....	Wilmington, Del.	March 21....	Foss
N. England S'n.	Providence, R. I.	April 4.....	Merrill	Wyoming.....	Oneonta, N. Y.	April 18....	Walden
New Hampshire.....	Tilton, N. H.	April 18.....	Foster				

At the making up of the present YEAR-BOOK (Nov. 30, 1887) several of the Annual Conferences had not yet held their sessions, and hence the complete statistical summaries of the whole Church cannot be given. The latest full official summaries *for a full calendar year* are those reported by the Annual Conferences of 1886. From these reports, closing with the year, we have the following:

Number of Spring Conferences.....	48
Number of Fall Conferences.....	65
Number of Annual Mission Districts.....	10
Whole number of Annual Conferences and Missions.....	123

Number of districts in Conferences and Missions (July 1, 1886).....	498
Number of ministers appointed presiding elders during the year.....	498
Smallest number of districts in an Annual Conference.....	2
Largest " " " " " "	9
Average number of districts per Conference in the whole Church.....	4
Smallest average number of pastoral charges on the districts of any Conference... ..	4
Largest " " " " " "	56
Whole number of pastoral charges on all the Conference and Mission districts....	15,697
Average number of pastoral charges per district for the whole Church	31½
Largest number of pastoral charges in any Conference.....	250
Number of Conferences having each 200 or more pastoral charges.....	14
" " " " " 100 " " " " " "	55
Number of pastoral charges left to be " supplied ".....	2,042

Number of Bishops *	13
Whole number of traveling preachers (not including Bishops) †	12,637
Number of preachers "transferred" during the year	308
Effective ministers stationed by the Bishops during the year	11,059
Supernumerary ministers	1,045
Superannuated ministers	2,050
Number of traveling preachers received on trial during the year	738
Preachers returned "discontinued"	98
Number of traveling preachers returned as "located"	101
Number of traveling preachers who died during the year ‡	192
Number of preachers returned as "withdrawn"	28
Preachers returned as "expelled"	17
Traveling preachers ordained deacons during the year	232
Traveling preachers ordained elders during the year	420
Number of traveling preachers admitted into full connection with the Conference	434
Number of preachers "re-admitted" into the Conferences	38
Number of traveling preachers received from other denominations during year §	70

Whole number of local preachers.....	12,813
Local preachers ordained deacons during the year.....	272
Local preachers ordained elders during the year.....	28
Total ordinations of local preachers during the year.....	300
Total number of ordained local preachers in M. E. Church (estimated) about.....	7,100
Local preachers who entered the traveling ministry during the year.....	738
Local preachers now engaged as pastors of charges left "to be supplied" about.....	1,670

Number of lay members on probation.....	222,148
Number of lay members in full connection.....	1,768,229
Total number of lay members and probationers at close of 1886.....	1,990,377
Number of deaths in the lay membership during year.....	25,408

§ For names of the various religious bodies from which these ministers were received, see *Methodist Year-Book* of 1887.

Net increase of probationers during year	22,439
Net increase of full members during year.....	77,608
Total net increase in lay membership during year	100,047
Total number of members (ministerial and lay) officially reported as in the M. E. Church Dec. 31, 1886.....	2,005,370

In these figures the local preachers, whether ordained or otherwise, are counted among the lay members and not with the itinerant ministers; and hence in the above grand total only the number of itinerant preachers is added to the number of lay members.

VI. SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Number of Sunday-schools.....	23,088
Net increase of schools for the year.....	471
Number of officers and teachers.....	259,237
Net increase of officers and teachers.....	12,223
Number of scholars.....	1,901,007
Net increase of scholars for year.....	74,229
Total officers, teachers, and scholars.....	2,160,244
Net increase of officers, teachers, and scholars.....	86,452

The other items of Sunday-school statistics (those which relate to the classification of pupils, books, and Sunday-school-periodicals, and conversions of scholars) are not published in the General Minutes, but are furnished in the annual reports of the Sunday-school departments.

VII. BAPTISMS DURING THE YEAR.

Number of infants baptized.....	67,795
Number of adults baptized.....	98,844
Total baptisms during the year.....	166,639

There was an increase over the previous year of 3,180 infant baptisms and of 20,427 adult baptisms—a total increase of 23,697 baptisms.

VIII. CHURCH EDIFICES AND PARSONAGES.

		Increase.
Number of church edifices.....	20,263	535
Number of church parsonages.....	7,338	252
Value of church edifices.....	\$77,916,952	\$2,202,676
Value of parsonages.....	\$11,495,490	\$582,441
Total estimated value of churches and parsonages.....	\$89,412,442	\$2,785,517

These figures do not include those relating to educational and publishing institutions, nor to any houses of worship not owned by our own Church societies.

The amount expended for church building and improvements during the year was \$3,666,085; for payment of church indebtedness, \$1,120,747; and for current expenses (sexton, light, fuel, etc.), \$1,937,896—a total for the year 1886 of \$6,724,728.

IX. MINISTERIAL SUPPORT AND BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.

		Increase.
Paid Pastors, Presiding Elders, and Bishops.....	\$7,924,513	\$236,611
Raised for Conference Claimants.....	187,383	10,857
Raised in Conference collections for Missions.....	823,056	124,984
Raised for Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.....	145,518	13,879
Raised for Woman's Home Missionary Society.....	35,856	4,849
Raised for Church Extension Board.....	105,944	5,468
Raised for Sunday-School Union.....	18,894	2,867
Raised for Tract Society.....	17,444	2,467
Raised for Freedmen's Aid Society.....	78,509	1,163
Raised for American Bible Society.....	28,940	755
Total raised for Benevolent collections.....	1,534,690	263,252
Grand total raised for Ministerial support and Benevolent collect'ns.....	9,459,203	499,863

These figures include only the Conference collections, and are, therefore, exclusive of many other sums contributed for various benevolent purposes. For other and full receipts from the various departments of Church work, see the tabulated figures of the reports of the Benevolent Societies of the Methodist Episcopal Church for 1887.

General Summary of Methodist Ministers and Members.

In the following table the figures are compiled from the latest published official returns which had been received up to the hour of sending the pages of the YEAR BOOK to press. Except as otherwise indicated they are for the year 1887.

I. Episcopal Methodists in United States.				
	Itinerant Ministers.	Local Preachers.	Lay Members.	Total Lay & Min.
Methodist Episcopal Church*.	13,900	13,918	2,094,660	2,108,560
Methodist Episcopal Church, South†.	4,434	5,989	1,055,954	1,060,388
African Methodist Episcopal Church‡.	2,550	9,760	405,000	407,550
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church‡.	2,110	7,710	314,000	316,110
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church‡.	1,729	4,024	165,000	166,729
Evangelical Association.	1,121	631	137,697	138,818
United Brethren.	1,566	589	195,278	196,834
Total in Episcopal Methodist Churches.	27,410	42,621	4,367,589	4,394,989
II. Non-Episcopal Methodists in United States.				
Methodist Protestant Church§.	1,570	929	128,709	130,279
American Wesleyan Church.	1,000	....	20,000	21,000
Free Methodist Church‡.	373	348	12,314	12,687
Other Methodist Churches (Primitive, Congregational, Independent, etc).	79	22	29,000	29,079
Total Non-Episcopal Methodists in United States.	3,022	1,299	190,023	193,045
Grand Total in Methodist Churches of United States..	30,432	43,920	4,557,612	4,588,034
III. Methodists in Canada.				
The Methodist Church.	1,558	1,162	211,608	213,166
IV. Methodists in Great Britain.				
British Wesleyan Methodists.	1,988	15,296	496,623	498,611
British Wesleyan Missions.	341	2,549	35,416	35,757
Primitive Methodists.	1,088	16,138	191,663	192,701
New Connection Methodists.	193	1,282	34,756	34,949
United Methodist Free Churches.	426	3,313	84,935	85,361
Bible Christian Methodists.	253	1,875	31,258	31,511
Wesleyan Reform Union.	18	....	8,351	8,369
Calvinistic Methodists.	619	370	133,178	133,797
Lady Huntington and Whitefield Methodists, etc.	278	....	7,890	8,168
Total Methodists in Great Britain and Missions..	5,154	40,823	1,024,070	1,029,224
V. Wesleyan Methodist Affiliating Conferences.				
Irish Wesleyan Methodist Conference.	240	1,408	25,753	25,993
French Wesleyan Methodist Conference.	338	....	1,668	1,701
South African Methodist Conference.	180	1,477	32,153	32,333
West Indian Methodist Conferences.	89	560	50,602	50,751
Australasian Methodist Conferences.	600	3,422	79,023	79,623
Total Methodists in Affiliating Conferences.	1,142	6,867	189,259	190,401
Grand Total of Methodists.				
In Methodist Churches in United States.	30,432	43,920	4,557,612	4,588,034
In Canada.	1,558	1,162	211,608	213,166
In Great Britain.	5,154	40,823	1,024,070	1,029,224
In British Wesleyan Affiliating Conferences.	1,142	6,867	189,259	190,401
Grand total of Methodists in 1887.	38,286	92,772	5,982,549	6,020,825
Grand total of Methodist Population in 1887.				30,104,125

* The numbers of itinerant and local preachers are those officially reported to July 1, 1887, and the number of lay members are those officially reported to December 1, 1887. For full explanation see p. 27.

† Chiefly for 1886. For complete statistics see p. 56.

‡ These are not for 1887, but are from the latest reports received up to the date of preparing these tables.

§ From reports of 1886. See "Other Methodist Churches."

§ Estimated.

Numerical Progress of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1887.

At this date (Nov. 30, 1887) 55 of the 74 Annual Conferences have reported for 1887, showing a total lay membership of 1,034,805. The Spring Conferences (see *Spring Conference Minutes* of 1887, p. 212), of 1887 reported a present lay membership of 971,260. These make a total lay membership, thus far reported in 1887, of 2,006,065. The remaining 19 Conferences (whose reports for 1887 are yet to be received) reported in 1886 a lay membership of 58,595. By adding this number (as the latest received) to the total already reported, we have a grand total lay membership for 1887 of 2,094,660, or an apparent increase, over the total reported in the *General Minutes* of 1886 (see these *Minutes*, p. 501) of 104,283.

But those 19 Conferences reported in 1886 a net increase for the year of 4,032. If they report the same increase for the present year, 1887, they will increase the total lay membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church to 2,096,692, and increase the net gain for the year to 108,315.

Monthly Receipts of the Missionary Society for the last Two Years.

The following is the comparative statement of the Treasurer of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the two years closing October 31, 1887. It does not include any of the amounts raised for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, the Woman's Home Missionary Society, or the Bishop Taylor Transit Fund, as these amounts are received and disbursed by the treasurers of those societies and of that Fund.

	1885-86.	1886-87.		1885-86.	1886-87.
November.....	\$16,694 78	\$5,291 23	June.....	11,256 57	8,710 94
December.....	47,952 08	9,523 74	July.....	15,519 78	11,929 19
January.....	18,195 67	20,526 66	August.....	17,123 89	22,501 37
February.....	11,058 87	12,739 80	September.....	190,050 29	146,892 29
March.....	201,637 95	161,469 59	October.....	264,375 29	311,603 10
April.....	167,207 37	242,889 97			
May.....	31,055 93	90,718 03	Total for the year.	\$992,128 47	\$1,044,795 91

Executive Official Workers in the Methodist Episcopal Church, July 1, 1887.

(Partly Estimated.)

Number of Bishops.....	12
Number of Itinerant Ministers.....	13,900
Number of Local Preachers.....	13,918
Number of Class-leaders.....	83,786
Number of Trustees of Churches.....	142,450
Number of Stewards of Societies.....	94,067
Sunday-school Superintendents and Assistant Superintendents.....	45,528
Other Officers and Teachers in Sunday-schools.....	214,045
Number of Workers and Helpers specially appointed in Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies, and in Churches not included above.	8,500
Total Number of Official Workers.....	616,206

Methodist Membership Compared with the Population of the United States.

The Population of the United States at the first Census in (1790) was.....	3,929,214
The Last United States Census (in 1880) returned a total of.....	50,155,783
Increase in population in 90 years.....	47,226,569
Increase <i>per cent.</i> in population in 90 years.....	1,177
Total Methodist members in United States in 1790.....	57,904
Total Methodist members in United States in 1880 (exclusive of United Brethren and Evangelical Association Churches, and of Foreign membership).....	3,192,525
Total increase of Methodist members in United States in 90 years.....	3,134,621
Increase <i>per cent.</i> of Methodist members in 90 years.....	5,413

These figures show that the numerical progress of actual Methodist membership in the United States during the period between the first and last Census, and reaching through the entire period in which the exact comparison is possible, has been nearly *five times as great as that of the population!*

Chronological Notes.—The General Conferences.

1766. First Methodist Society in America (of five members) organized in October in New York by Phillip Embury, a local preacher.

1768. First church edifice (John-street Church, first called Wesley Chapel), dedicated by Philip Embury Oct. 30.

1769. First itinerant preachers appointed by Mr. Wesley for America, Richard Boardman and Joseph Pilmoor, the former stationed as pastor of John-street Church, New York, and the latter as pastor in Philadelphia.

1773. First Annual Conference held in Philadelphia. Ten preachers were present. Thomas Rankin presided, he being designated by Mr. Wesley as "General Assistant." The whole number of lay members was 1,160.

1784. The "Methodist Episcopal Church" was formally organized at a Conference of the Methodist ministers called by Thomas Coke, LL.D., an assistant of Mr. Wesley in England, and sent over by the latter for the purpose of consummating such organization. The first Bishops, Coke and Asbury, were elected. This Conference (called the "Christmas Conference") met in Philadelphia, Dec. 25, and continued its session until Jan. 2, 1785.

1787. A General Conference was called at Baltimore in May, by Bishop Coke, at the request of Mr. Wesley, but as the Annual Conferences had not been consulted, and hence had not authorized it, many of the ministers did not attend, and no official record of its doings was preserved. Some additions, however, were made to the Discipline, and the word "Bishop" was substituted for "Superintendent," as applied to Bishops Coke and Asbury. It is believed also that the term "Presiding Elder" was then first applied to superintendents of districts.

1789. In order to supply a central authority long felt to be needed, the several Annual Conferences concurred in the formation of a "Council," to be composed of the Bishops and Presiding Elders, who should recommend such changes as they should unanimously agree upon, but which before becoming binding upon the Church should be adopted by the several Annual Conferences.

1790. The "Council," referred to in the previous paragraph, was composed of the Bishops and of elders *elected* from each district. This had been done in order to meet objections made to their appointment to the Council by the Bishops. The Council, however, being without power except as advisory, was unpopular, and was substituted by a General Conference of the preachers of all the Conferences.

1792. *First General Conference.*—Held in Baltimore, Nov. 1. This Conference directed that the next General Conference should meet after an interval of four years. Though embodying, as its members believed, the full ecclesiastical authority of the Church, the Conference bound itself by special enactment not to change any recognized rule of Methodism, *except by a two-third vote*. The presiding elder's term of office in any one district was limited to four years. The Book Concern (previously opened at Philadelphia by authority of the "Council") was formally established by General Conference action.

1796. *Second General Conference.*—Held in Baltimore, commencing Oct. 20, composed of 120 members. Bishop Asbury presided. "Chartered Fund" instituted and incorporated by Legislature of Pennsylvania. The Annual Conference boundaries first determined by General Conference action.

1800. *Third General Conference.*—Held in Baltimore, May 6-20. The previous one had been held in the fall, but owing to the prevalence of yellow fever in 1799 the Annual Conferences had authorized Bishop Asbury to change the time to May. Richard Whatcoat was elected Bishop. The Book Concern was removed to New York. [John Dickins, the Book Agent, had died of yellow fever the year previous.] Bishop Asbury, in consequence of physical debility, sought to resign his episcopal office, but was induced by the earnest request of the Conference to continue in the office. The Bishops were authorized to

ordain colored preachers. [Richard Allen, of Philadelphia, was the first colored preacher ordained under the rule.]

1804. *Fourth General Conference.*—Held in Baltimore, May 7-23. Members 107. The pastoral term was limited to two consecutive years on any one charge. Previously there had been no time limit except in the case of Presiding Elders.

1808. *Fifth General Conference.*—Held in Baltimore, May 6-26. Members 129. William M'Kendree elected Bishop. Bishop Coke was granted permission to reside in England, but not to exercise while there his episcopal functions. Delegated General Conference first provided for, the ratio of representation to be *one member for each five* of the traveling ministers. The "Restrictive Rules" first adopted. No one of these rules was to be changed without a concurrence of a *majority of all* the members of the Annual Conferences (present and voting at the Annual Conference sessions), with a two-thirds vote of the General Conference. This requirement continued until 1828, when the word "majority" was substituted by the word "*three-fourths*."

1812. *Sixth General Conference.*—Held in New York city, May 1-22. This was the first *delegated* Conference. Members 88. Bishop M'Kendree presented a written Episcopal Address, the first presented to the General Conference. Local Deacons made eligible to Elders' orders. Ordered that stewards' nominations be referred by preachers to Quarterly Conference for confirmation or rejection; preachers had hitherto appointed the stewards.

1816. *Seventh General Conference.*—Held in Baltimore, May 1-24. 103 members. Rev. Messrs. Black and Bennett were present as fraternal delegates from British Conference. "Course of Study" for ministers provided for. Enoch George and Robert Richford Roberts elected Bishops. Ratio of Annual Conference representation changed from "*five*" to "*seven*."

1820. *Eighth General Conference.*—Held at Baltimore, May 1-27. Members 89. Improved edition of Hymn Book ordered. Missionary Society, previously organized in New York city, was approved. Bishop M'Kendree was relieved from effective labor. Bishop Soule was elected Bishop, but declined to accept the office and be ordained because the Conference had adopted, as a compromise measure, a resolution authorizing the Annual Conferences to elect Presiding Elders. The application of the resolution was suspended for four years, until the question should be submitted to the Annual Conferences.

1824. *Ninth General Conference.*—Held at Baltimore, May 1-29. Members 126. Joshua Soule and Elijah Hedding elected Bishops. The Annual Conferences having voted against the change of rule so as to permit the election of Presiding Elders, the provision for such election, previously adopted, was declared null and void.

1828. *Tenth General Conference.*—Held at Pittsburg, May 1-24. Members 176. Connection with the Canada Conference substantially dissolved.

1832. *Eleventh General Conference.*—Held at Philadelphia, May 1-28. Members 200. James Osgood Andrew and John Emory elected Bishops. Provision consummated for altering "Restrictive Rules" by the concurrence of three fourths of those voting on the change in the Annual Conferences, and two-thirds of those voting in General Conference

1836. *Twelfth General Conference.*—Held at Cincinnati, May 1-27. Members 158. Dr. Wilbur Fisk appointed fraternal delegate to British Conference. Separate Bible Society dissolved, and a resolution of co-operation with American Bible Society adopted. Liberia Conference organized. A "resident Corresponding Secretaryship" established. Beverly Waugh, Wilbur Fisk, and Thomas A. Morris elected Bishops. Dr. Fisk, who was absent in Europe at the time, declined the office, in order to remain at the Wesleyan University, of which he was President. Authority given to Annual Conferences to locate ministers for *unacceptability*.

1840. *Thirteenth General Conference.*—Held at Baltimore, May 1-June 3. Members 142. Rev. Robert Newton fraternal representative from British Conference. The Sunday-School Union reorganized.

1844. *Fourteenth General Conference.*—Held at New York, May 1-June 10. Members 192. "Plan of Separation" with the South adopted. Edmund S. Janes and Leonidas L. Hamline elected Bishops.

1848. *Fifteenth General Conference.*—Held at Pittsburg, May 1-June 1. Members 151. "Plan of Separation" declared null and void.

1852. *Sixteenth General Conference.*—Held at Boston, May 1-June 1. Members 179. Bishop Hamline resigned his Episcopal office because of impaired health. *National Magazine* and Corresponding Secretaryship of Tract Society established. The publication of a German Commentary authorized. Levi Scott, Matthew Simpson, Osmon C. Baker, and Edward R. Ames elected Bishops.

1856. *Seventeenth General Conference.*—Held in Indianapolis, May 1. Members 217. The establishment of a Theological Institution at Evanston, Ill., authorized. The election of Missionary Bishop authorized, and subsequently Bishop Burns, of Liberia, was ordained (the *first colored Bishop* in the M. E. Church.)

1860. *Eighteenth General Conference.*—Held in Buffalo, May 1-June 4. Members 222. Chapter on slavery altered so as to declare very strongly against it. A resolution was adopted favoring lay delegation whenever a majority of preachers and members desired it. The subsequent vote in the Conferences and among the laity was against the measure.

1864. *Nineteenth General Conference.*—Held in Philadelphia, May 1-27. Members 216. Bishops Clark, Thomson and Kingsley elected. The limit of the pastoral term was changed from two to *three* years. A plan for the organization of the Board of Church Extension, with its central office in Philadelphia, was adopted. Provision was made for holding Centenary services in 1866. The organization of Annual Conferences in the South was authorized. A patriotic address to the President of the United States in support of the Union was adopted and forwarded to him by a special committee. In his responsive address President Lincoln said:

Nobly sustained as the Government has been by all the Churches, I would utter nothing which might in the least appear invidious against any; yet, without this, it may fairly be said that the Methodist Episcopal Church, not less devoted than the best, is by its numbers the most important of all. It is no fault in others that the Methodist Episcopal Church sends more soldiers into the field, more nurses into the hospitals, and more prayers to heaven than any other. God bless the Methodist Church. God bless all the Churches! Blessed be God who, in this our great trial, *giveth us the Churches!*

1868. *Twentieth General Conference.*—Held in Chicago, May 1-June 2. Members 243. Delegates from Mission Conferences admitted. A resolution reaffirming a willingness to admit lay delegation when the Church should approve it was adopted. A plan for submitting the question to the Churches and the Annual Conferences severally was also adopted. A commission was appointed with authority to purchase or erect a new Publishing and Mission building in New York.

1872. *Twenty-first General Conference.*—Held in Brooklyn, May 1-June 4. Members 421.* The Churches and Conferences having approved of lay delegation in the General Conference by the requisite majorities, lay delegates were admitted. Important changes were authorized in the constitutions of various benevolent societies, so as to secure the election of the Boards of Managers by the General Conference. Incipient action was taken toward fraternal relations with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Bishops Bowman, Harris, Foster, Wiley, Merrill, Andrews, G. Haven, and Peck were elected. Residences for the several Bishops were designated. The word "assistant," as applied to Book Agents and Missionary Secretary, was stricken out of the Discipline.

1876. *Twenty-second General Conference.*—Held in Baltimore, May 1-31. Ministerial members, 222; lay, 133; total, 355. Fraternal messengers were received from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and a Joint Committee on Fraternity with that Church was provided for and subsequently appointed. A committee was appointed with authority to prepare a new Hymnal for the Church. A plan for the election of Presiding Elders was voted down. Incipient provision was made favoring the holding of an Ecumenical Conference in London in 1881.

* 292 ministers and 129 laymen,

1880. *Twenty-third General Conference.*—Held in Cincinnati, May 1-28. Composed of 248 ministerial and 151 lay members, making a total of 399. Bishop Scott retired from the "effective" list. Bishops Warren, Foss, Hurst, and E. O. Haven were elected. It was ordered that "the pronouns *he*, *his*, and *him*, when used in the Discipline with reference to stewards, class-leaders, and Sunday-school Superintendents, shall not be so construed as to exclude women from such offices." A revised form of statistics was adopted. It was ordered that among the questions put to candidates for admission into the Annual Conferences should be the following: "*Will you wholly abstain from the use of tobacco?*" The Mission work in the United States and Territories, *except that part of it embraced in the Annual Conferences*, was divided into eight Mission Districts, and that part of it in the foreign field into nine Mission Districts. The ruling of one of the Bishops, that the law of the Church does not authorize the ordination of women, and that the presiding Bishop is not at liberty to submit to the vote of the Annual Conference the question of the election of women to orders, and, also, that the Discipline does not provide for nor contemplate the licensing of women as local preachers, was approved. The Disciplinary provisions with regard to the limitation of the pastoral term were so modified as to permit a pastor, in case the term of three years shall expire in the interim of the Annual Conference, to remain until the next session, provided the time shall not be more than six months.

1881. *Twenty-fourth General Conference.*—Held in Philadelphia, May 1-28. Ministerial delegates, 261; lay delegates, 156; total, 417. Bishops Ninde, Walden, Mallalieu, Fowler, and Taylor (the last as Missionary Bishop to Africa) were elected. The Bishops were requested to visit the Missions and Conferences in Asia twice during the ensuing quadrennium. It was ordered that "no preaching-place shall be discontinued in the interim between the Annual Conference sessions without the consent and advice of the Quarterly Conference. The clerical members of the General Missionary Committee were constituted a Judicial Conference to hear appeals of Local Preachers convicted at an annual meeting of a Foreign Mission, a Bishop to preside. The Bishops were authorized to appoint traveling preachers to the editorships of unofficial newspapers and magazines published in the interest of the Methodist Episcopal Church, provided their Annual Conference request such appointment, and provided also that the Church shall not incur any financial responsibility in such action. The District Conferences in licensing Local Preachers were instructed to "inquire if they will wholly abstain from the use of tobacco." The limit of the number of stewards on a pastoral charge was changed from "nine" to "thirteen," and the term of office of the stewards elect was ordered to date from the session of the next ensuing Annual Conference. With reference to race and color the policy of the Methodist Episcopal Church was declared to be "that no member of any society within the Church shall be excluded from public worship in any and every edifice of the denomination, and no student shall be excluded from instruction in any and every school under the supervision of the Church because of race, color, or previous condition of servitude." The question of separate or mixed schools was declared to be an expediency, and "is to be left to the choice and administration of those on the ground and immediately concerned, *provided* there shall be no interference with the rights" of the colored people.

N. B.—Among the many important reports from the various Standing Committees adopted by the Conference were twenty-one reports of great interest, presented by the Judiciary Committee, with reference to various Law Questions referred to that Committee. [See "General Conference Journal" for 1884. The full text of these reports may be found also in the "Methodist Year-Book" of 1885.]

1888. *The Twenty-fifth General Conference* of the Methodist Episcopal Church will meet in the City of New York, on Tuesday, May 1, 1888, at 9 o'clock A.M. It will be composed of ministerial and lay delegates. The ministerial delegates consist of one delegate for every forty-five members of each Annual Conference, with an additional delegate in case of a fraction of two thirds of the ratio of representation. The discipline provides, also, that no Conference shall be denied the privilege of one ministerial and one lay delegate. The lay delegates consist of two laymen for each Annual Conference except such Conferences as have but one ministerial delegate, which Conferences shall each be entitled to one lay delegate.

General Conference Secretaries.

THE names of the Conference Secretaries were not recorded previous to the year 1800.

- 1800.** Nicholas Snethen, of Baltimore Conference, Pastor.
1804. John Wilson, of New York Conference, Editor and Assist. Book Agent at N. Y.
1808. William Penn Chandler, of Philadelphia Conference, Presiding Elder.
1812. Daniel Hitt, of New York Conference, Editor and Book Agent.
1816. Louis R. Fechtig, of Baltimore Conference, Pastor.
1820. Alexander M'Caine, of New York Conference, Pastor.
1824. John Emory, D.D., of New York Conference, Book Agent at New York.
1828. Martin Ruter, D.D., of Ohio Conference, Book Agent at Cincinnati.
1832. Thomas L. Douglass, of Tennessee Conference, Supernumerary, Nashville.
1836. Thomas L. Douglass, of Tennessee Conference, Presiding Elder, Nashville Dist.
1840. John A. Collins, D.D., of Baltimore Conference, Presiding Elder.
1844. Thomas B. Sargent, D.D., of Baltimore Conf., Presiding Elder, Potomac Dist.
1848. Joseph M. Trimble, D.D., of Ohio Conference, Presiding Elder.
1852. Joseph M. Trimble, D.D., of Ohio Conference, Presiding Elder.
1856. William L. Harris, D.D., of North Ohio Conference, Professor in College.
1860. William L. Harris, D.D., of Central Ohio Conference, Professor in College.
1864. William L. Harris, D.D., of Central Ohio Conference, Cor. Sec. of Miss. Society.
1868. William L. Harris, D.D., of Central Ohio Conference, Cor. Sec. of Miss. Society.
1872. William L. Harris, D.D., LL.D., until May 23, after which
 George W. Woodruff, D.D., of New York East Conference, Pastor.
1876. George W. Woodruff, D.D., of New York East Conference, Pastor.
1880. George W. Woodruff, D.D., of New York East Conference, Pastor.
1884. David S. Monroe, D.D., of Central Pennsylvania Conference, Pastor.

Executive Administration in the Conferences.

THE rules and regulations of the Methodist Episcopal Church are embodied in the latest edition of her Book of Discipline, a copy of which is accessible to every family connected with her congregations.

The administration of the Bishops in the Annual Conferences on the questions involved is in harmony with the subjoined statements :

For convenience of administration the Conferences are divided into two classes ; viz., the Spring and Fall Conferences. The former includes such as hold their sessions during the first half of the calendar year, and the latter those whose sessions are held in the second half of the year.

Each Annual Conference designates the place of its meeting, but the Bishops appoint the time, selecting, as far as possible, such season for the session as shall harmonize, as far as practicable, with the wishes of the Conference.

The dates of the Spring Conferences are determined by the Bishops at their annual meeting, held usually about the first of November, and the dates of the Fall Conferences at the Bishops' semi-annual meeting, usually held during the month of May.

When any change of date for holding a Conference session becomes important after the announcement in the "Episcopal Plan," such change can only be made by the Bishop to whom it has been assigned.

The jurisdiction of a Bishop in any Annual Conference begins with its assignment to him as its president for the next ensuing session, and continues until it shall be assigned to his successor. The assignments bear date with their public announcement in what is called "The Episcopal Plan."

Concerning the appointment of Presiding Elders, the Bishops do not continue them in office after they have served four years on the same district, unless in their judgment their re-appointment will subserve the best interests of the work. The administration of the Bishops in this respect was formally indorsed by the General Conference of 1880.

In preparing their lists of appointments for the General Minutes the Bishops will follow

strictly the alphabetical order in the arrangement of the appointments in each district; and when the name of a town or city occurs in which there are two or more appointments then these appointments are arranged alphabetically within the town or city.

No transfer of a minister is made by a Bishop to any Conference without having first obtained the formal consent of the Bishop in charge of the Conference to which the proposed transfer is to be made.

When a minister is received into our Church from any Church which has only a single ordination to the ministry the Discipline authorizes his reception to our Church as being in Elder's Orders.

In all cases of the admission of Preachers to our Conferences on credentials from other Churches they are required to answer the same questions as those propounded to candidates for admission into full connection.

The Quarterly Conferences can receive ministers coming from Churches agreeing with us in doctrine and discipline as local Deacons or Elders, and the Annual Conferences can receive them as traveling Deacons or Elders, according to their credentials.

The stewards of a station or circuit have no right to fix the claims of the Presiding Elder on that charge. Those claims, under the provisions of Discipline, can only be fixed by the District Stewards at their annual meeting.

If the claims of the Pastor and Presiding Elder on any charge are not fully met it is the duty of the stewards to *pro rata* the receipts. Both claims are of equal authority.

It is contrary to the Discipline for one preacher or exhorter to go into the pastoral charge of another preacher to appoint and hold meetings therein. In case a question arise between two preachers as to which pastoral charge includes any locality the question shall be determined by the Presiding Elder.

Women are not eligible for ordination, nor for license to preach.

A preacher has no right to license a probationer to exhort.

When a local preacher applies for ordination under the rule, at the end of his first year on trial in the Conference he must pass an examination in the course of study prescribed for local preachers who are candidates for Deacons' Orders.

When a local Deacon is admitted into an Annual Conference, at the close of his third year as a local Deacon, he may be elected and ordained to Elders' Orders, as a local preacher, at the end of his first year on trial; but in order to his election he must pass a satisfactory examination in the course of study prescribed for candidates for local Elders' Orders, and be duly recommended by a Quarterly or District Conference as a proper person to be so elected and ordained.

When a local Deacon is admitted on trial, at the end of his second year as Deacon, he may be elected and ordained as Elder, as a local preacher, at the time of his admission into full connection in the Conference, if, in addition to his other studies, he pass a satisfactory examination in the course of study prescribed for local Elders' Orders, and has been duly recommended for orders by a District or Quarterly Conference; but his election to orders must precede his admission into full connection, and his class relations as an under-graduate in the Conference must continue till he has accomplished the entire four years' course of study.

The General Committee on Missions and Church Extension, 1884-88.

Dists.	Member of Committees.	Conferences.
1.	W. V. Morrison, D.D.	New Eng. Southern.
2.	Alex. Craig, D.D.	Newark.
3.	Isaac S. Bingham, D.D.	Northern N. Y.
4.	Jas. H. McGarrah, D.D.	Central Penn.
5.	Jos. M. Trimble, D.D.	Ohio.
6.	Job A. Price, D.D.	Baltimore.
7.	George W. Gue, D.D.	Central Illinois.

Dists.	Member of Committees.	Conferences.
8.	Robt. M. Hatfield, D.D.	Rock River.
9.	Henry H. Oneal, D.D.	Des Moines.
10.	Thomas B. Ford, D.D.	Arkansas.
11.	Cyrus R. Rice, D.D.	South Kansas.
12.	Christian Blinn, D.D.	East German.
13.	Harry K. Hines, D.D.	Columbia River.

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Chartered Fund.

Organized in 1796; chartered in 1797; office, Philadelphia. Total amount of the fund, in safe investments, January 1, 1884, \$46,284 20, being an increase during the quadrennium of \$974 13. Trustees: C. Heiskell, *President*; J. F. Keen, *Treasurer*; A. M. Burton, *Secretary*.

Fraternal Delegates from the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church to Other Religious Bodies.

IN the early years of American Methodism fraternal correspondence was kept up with the British Wesleyan Conference through the visits of Dr. Coke, who was made the bearer of official letters between the two countries. The Fraternal Delegates formally appointed by the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church were as follows :

1820.—John Emory, D.D., to the British Wesleyan Conference.

1828.—William Capers, D.D., to the British Conference.

1840.—Bishop Soule (accompanied by Thos. B. Sargent, D.D.) to British Conference.

1848.—Nathan Bangs, D.D., to Canada Wesleyan Conference.

1852.—Rev. Geo. Gary, to Canada Wesleyan Conference.

1856.—Bishop Simpson and John McClintock, D.D., to British and Irish Conferences ; Miner Raymond, D.D., and Rev. William Hamilton, to Canada Wesleyan Conference.

1860.—Nathan Bangs, D.D., F. G. Hibbard, D.D., and Francis Hodgson, D.D., to Canada Wesleyan Conference ; Revs. Gardner Baker, F. A. Blades, and Peter Cartwright, D.D., to Canada Methodist Episcopal General Conference.

1864.—Bishop Janes and Thomas Bowman,* D.D., to British Wesleyan Conference ; Chas. Elliott, D.D., and George Peck, D.D., to Canada Wesleyan Conference ; Revs. George Webber, Mighil Dustin, and William Nast, D.D., to Canada Methodist Episcopal General Conference.

1868.—Bishop Simpson † and Randolph S. Foster, D.D., to British Wesleyan Conference ; Jesse T. Peck, D.D., and G. T. Carrow, D.D., to Eastern British American Wesleyan Conference ; J. W. Lindsay, D.D., and Asbury Lowrey, D.D., to Canada Wesleyan Conference ; and Revs. S. C. Brown and B. F. Cocker, D.D., to the Canada Methodist Episcopal General Conference.

1872.—Bishop Harris and J. A. McCauley, D.D., to British Wesleyan Conference ; Miner Raymond, D.D., to the Canada Wesleyan Conference ; Revs. W. R. Clark, D.D., and W. H. Elliott, to Eastern British American Conference ; Moses Hill, D.D., and Homer Eaton, D.D., to Canada Methodist Episcopal General Conference ; Lucius C. Matlack, D.D. and Rev. James Lynch, to African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church ; Revs. William Hunter, D.D., and Gideon Martin, to the Methodist Church ; Revs. Wesley Kenny, and Joseph M. Trimble, D.D., to the Methodist Protestant General Conference ; Revs. J. Rothweiler, and J. F. Chalfant, to the General Conference of the Evangelical Association ; Revs. S. Allen and J. C. Watson Cox, D.D., and O. H. Tiffany, D.D., to the Congregational Church ; S. H. Nesbit, D.D., and J. B. Graw, D.D., to the Presbyterian Church ; and Cyrus D. Foss, D.D., and D. Stephenson, D.D., to the Baptist Church.

1876.—Bishop Bowman and Erastus O. Haven, D.D., to British Wesleyan Conference ; Cyrus D. Foss, D.D., and Hon. Will Cumbach to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South ; Samuel F. Upham, D.D., to the Canada Methodist General Conference ; Jacob Todd, D.D., to Canada Methodist Episcopal General Conference ; Rev. Wm. L. Hypes to the Methodist Church ; Rev. Alexander E. Gibson to the Methodist Protestant Church ; Rev. Valentine H. Bulkley to African Methodist Episcopal Church ; Rev. E. W. S. Peck to African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church ; Emperor Williams to the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church of America ; Rev. J. W. Freund to the Evangelical Association ; Rev. Thomas H. Lynch to the American Wesleyan Church ; Rev. Richard N. Davies, D.D., to the Reformed Episcopal Church ; John F. Hurst, D.D., to the Congregational Churches ; and Rev. John A. M. Chapman, D.D., to the Presbyterian Church.

1880.—To the British Conference, W. F. Warren, D.D., LL.D. ; to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, H. B. Ridgaway, D.D. ; to the Methodist Church of Canada, Andrew T. Longacre, D.D. ; to the Methodist Episcopal Church of Canada, W. S. Studley, D.D.

1884.—To the British and Irish Conferences, Bishop Foss and Albert S. Hunt, D.D. ; to

* Did not attend.

† Bishop Ames was first designated by the General Conference, but could not attend, and Bishop Simpson was appointed in his place.

the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, John Miley, D.D., and Governor James B. Foraker of Ohio; to the General Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada, Isaac W. Joyce, D.D.; to the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, Rev. Joshua E. Wilson; to the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, Aristides E. P. Albert, D.D.

Commissions on Fraternity Between the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

1868. Appointed by General Conference of 1868, to "confer with a like commission from the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church" and also "empowered to treat with a similar commission from any other Methodist Church that may desire like union."

1869. Bishops Janes and Simpson were appointed by the Board of Bishops "to visit and confer with the Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South," who met in St. Louis in May.

1870. Bishop Janes and Dr. W. L. Harris (then Missionary Secretary), by request of the Commission of 1868, attended the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Memphis.

1872. The General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church authorized the Bishops to appoint two ministers and one layman to convey fraternal greetings to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The Bishops appointed Albert S. Hunt, D.D., Chas. H. Fowler, D.D., and General Clinton B. Fisk.

1874. On receiving the salutation of the fraternal delegates above named the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, authorized its Bishops to appoint a delegation of two ministers and one layman to bear "Christian salutations to the ensuing General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church," and, "in order to remove all obstacles to fraternity," to appoint also a commission of three ministers and two laymen to meet a similar commission appointed by the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Lovick Pierce, D.D., James A. Duncan, D.D., and Landon C. Garland, LL.D., were appointed the fraternal delegates, and E. H. Myers, D.D., R. K. Hargrove, D.D., Thomas F. Finney, D.D., Hon. Truston Polk,* and Hon. David Colorton were appointed the commissioners.

1876. The General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in May appointed as its commissioners to confer with those of the Church, South, named above. M. D'C. Crawford, D.D., Hon. Enoch L. Fancher, LL.D., Erasmus Q. Fuller, D.D., John P. Newman, D.D., and General Clinton B. Fisk.

The joint commissioners met in Cape May, N. J., August 17-22, 1876, and unanimously agreed upon an address to their respective Churches and a basis upon which all the disputes concerning church property should be settled.

Commissions Appointed By Authority of the General Conference of 1884.

I. ON THE GERMAN HYMN BOOK.—[See Journal of 1884, pp. 105, 116, 228, 237.]—WILLIAM NAST, D.D., editor of the *Christian Apologist*; HENRY LIEBHART, D.D., editor of the *Haus und Herd*; Rev. CHRISTIAN F. PAULUS, of the Central German Conference; CHRISTIAN A. LOEBER, of the Chicago German Conference; Rev. LOUIS WALLON, of the East German Conference; Rev. ARNOLD SULTZBERGER, of the Germany and Switzerland Conference; Rev. FREDERICK KOPP, of the North-west German Conference; Rev. JOHN SCHLAGENHAUF, of the St. Louis German Conference; Rev. JOHN A. REITZ, of the West German Conference.

II. ON ENTERTAINMENT OF THE NEXT GENERAL CONFERENCE.—[See Journal of 1884, pp. 101, 129, 308, 177, 256, 261, 387.]—MORRIS D'C. CRAWFORD, D.D., of the New York Conference; JOHN M. PHILLIPS, Agent of the Book Concern at New York; HOMER EATON,

* Mr. Polk died before the meeting, and Hon. E. B. Vance was appointed in his place.

D.D., of the Troy Conference; FRANCIS H. ROOT, of Buffalo, N. Y.; Rev. WILLIAM SWINDELLS, of the Philadelphia Conference; General CLINTON B. FISK, of Seabright, N. J.; Rev. ALONZO S. WEED, of Boston, Mass.

III. ON INDIAN CEMETERY AND CHURCH AT UPPER SANDUSKY, OHIO.—[See Journal, 1884, pp. 221, 251, 348, 349.]—JOSEPH M. TRIMBLE, D.D., of the Ohio Conference; FRANCIS S. HOYT, D.D., of the North Ohio Conference; Rev. WILLIAM RUNYAN, of the Cincinnati Conference; LEROY A. BELT, D.D., of the Central Ohio Conference; Rev. WILLIAM W. CASE, of the East Ohio Conference.

IV. ON THE BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE BOOK CONCERN.—[See Journal of 1884, p. 269.]—*Ministers*: LUKE HITCHCOCK, D.D., of the Rock River Conference; MORRIS D'C. CRAWFORD, D.D., of the New York Conference; DAVID C. JOHN, D.D., of the Minnesota Conference; JACOB B. GRAW, D.D., of the New Jersey Conference; Rev. WILLIAM L. HYPES, of the Cincinnati Conference.

Laymen: Ex-Governor EDWIN O. STANNARD, of St. Louis, Mo.; Ex-Governor WILLIAM CLAFLIN, of Boston, Mass.; FRANCIS H. ROOT, Esq., of Buffalo, N. Y.; Hon. ALEXANDER BRADLEY, of Pittsburg, Pa.; Ex-Governor JOHN EVANS, of Denver, Col.

V. COMMISSION ON LAY DELEGATION (One from each General Conference District.).—1st District, JAMES A. WOOLSON, of Cambridge, Mass; 2d, Hon. G. G. REYNOLDS,* of Brooklyn, N. Y.; 3d, ISAAC S. BINGHAM, D.D., of Northern New York Conference; 4th, Rev. W. W. EVANS, of Central Pennsylvania Conference; 5th, Hon. J. D. TAYLOR, of Cambridge, O.; 6th, L. F. MORGAN, D.D., of Baltimore Conference; 7th, C. C. BINKLEY, of Richmond, Ind.; 8th, WILLIAM DEERING, of Chicago, Ill.; 9th, Hon. H. R. BRILL, of St. Paul, Minn.; 10th, Rev. PIERRE LANDRY, of Louisiana Conference; 11th, BENJAMIN ST. JAMES FRY, D.D., of St. Louis Conference; 12th, F. G. NIEDRINGHAUS, of St. Louis, Mo.; 13th, Rev. ROBERT BENTLY, of California Conference.

VI. ON CONSOLIDATION AND UNIFICATION OF OUR BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES.—Bishop MERRILL, the Representatives of the General Conference Districts on the General Missionary and Church Extension Committees, and the Senior Secretaries of the Missionary Society, the Board of Church Extension, the Freedmen's Aid Society, and the Board of Education.

Support of the Bishops.

The official residences of the Bishops are fixed by the General Conference. The salaries of the effective Bishops, and the amount, if any, necessary to the comfortable maintenance of the non-effective Bishops, and the amount necessary to assist the widows and children of deceased Bishops, and the amount needed for the traveling expenses of the Bishops, are to be estimated by the Book Committee, and apportioned by that Committee among the Annual Conferences. It is made the duty of Annual Conferences to divide severally the amounts assigned them among the districts, and to see that the amounts apportioned to the several charges are raised and forwarded quarterly, when practicable, to the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund. Sanford Hunt, D.D., 805 Broadway, New York, is Treasurer, and William P. Stowe, D.D., Chicago, is Assistant Treasurer, of the Fund.

Until 1836 the amount necessary for the support and traveling expenses of the Bishops was apportioned among the Annual Conferences, each Conference being called upon to raise its proportionate share. From 1836 to 1881 the amount of such support, either in whole or in part, was met by the Book Concern. Since January 1, 1881, the Book Concern, under the provisions of the General Conference of 1880, has not been allowed to use any of its funds for such purpose.

The present rule (see Discipline of 1884, ¶ 359) authorizes the Bishops to draw on the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund for the amounts severally estimated by the Book Committee for their support, and also for their traveling expenses.

* Appointed in place of Hon. Oliver Hoyt, deceased.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLICATION.

Publishing Houses and Depositories.

Book Concern at New York, 805 Broadway. First established in Philadelphia in 1789; transferred to New York in 1804. Publishing buildings, at 200 Mulberry Street, completed in 1833; new edifice, at 805 Broadway, occupied in August, 1869.*

Western Book Concern at Cincinnati, 190 West Fourth Street, established in 1820; its incorporation separate from the Publishing House at New York, ordered by the General Conference of 1840; new edifice on West Fourth Street erected in 1869.

Depositories of New York Book Concern: at Boston (established 1856), J. P. Magee, Agent; at Pittsburgh (established in 1840), J. Horner, D.D., Agent; at San Francisco (established in 1860), J. D. Hammond, D.D., Agent.

Depositories of Western Book Concern: at Chicago (established in 1852) and St. Louis (established in 1856).

Other Depositories, not under the supervision of the General Conference, are in operation in Buffalo, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Harrisburg, Syracuse (N. Y.), Detroit, New Orleans, Portland (Oregon), Mexico, Lucknow (India), Bremen (Germany).

Present Book Agents.

At New York: John M. Phillips, Esq., elected in 1872, and re-elected in 1876, in 1880 and in 1884; and Sanford Hunt, D.D., elected (to fill vacancy caused by the death of Dr. Nelson) by the Book Committee and Bishops in 1879, and re-elected by the General Conference in 1880 and in 1884. Official designation of firm: "Phillips & Hunt."

At Western Book Concern, Cincinnati: Earl Cranston, D.D., elected in 1884; and William P. Stowe, D.D., elected in 1880, and re-elected in 1884. Official designation: "Cranston & Stowe."

The Book Concerns at New York and Cincinnati are the property of the Church, and subject entirely to the control of the General Conference. By direction of that body the Book Agents "have authority to regulate the publications and all other parts of the publishing business (except what belongs to the Editorial Departments), as the state of the finances and the demand may require."

General Book Committee, 1884-1888.

The General Book Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church consists of one member from each of the thirteen General Conference Districts, and of three members from New York and vicinity, and three from Cincinnati or vicinity. The Committee, during the intervals of the General Conference, has general supervision of the publishing interests of the Church, fixing the salaries of the Bishops, Book Agents, and connectional Editors; and has power [see specific provisions of Discipline of 1884, ¶ 337] to suspend for cause an Agent or Editor.

District.	Member.	Conference.	District.	Member.	Conference.
I.	Charles J. Clark, D.D....	Maine.	VIII.	Doctor F. Barnes, D.D....	Michigan.
II.	Homer Eaton, D.D.....	Troy.	IX.	James C. W. Cox, D.D....	Iowa.
III.	William H. Olin, D.D....	Wyoming.	X.	Aristides E. P. Albert, D.D.	Louisiana.
IV.	Thomas N. Boyle, D.D....	Pittsburg.	XI.	John G. Thompson,.....	Missouri.
V.	William F. Whitlock, D.D.	North Ohio.	XII.	Jacob Tanner,.....	W. German.
VI.	Edward W. S. Peck,.....	Washington.	XIII.	Thomas H. Sinex, D.D....	California.
VII.	Clement Studebaker, Esq.	N. W. Indiana.			

LOCAL COMMITTEE AT NEW YORK.—John B. Cornell,† Clinton B. Fisk, and William Hoyt.

* The Book Agents, at New York, and the Missionary Society purchased in October, 1887, a plot of ground at south-west corner of Fifth Avenue and Twentieth Street, New York (104 feet on Fifth Avenue and 170 feet on Twentieth Street) on which to erect a new Publishing and Mission Building, the new edifice to provide superior accommodation, to be fire-proof, and to be completed in time for the Centennial of the Book Concern in 1889.

† Died October 28, 1887.

LOCAL COMMITTEE AT CINCINNATI.—Amos Shinkle, Rudolph A. W. Breühl, and Richard Dymond.

PUBLISHING COMMITTEE OF THE CALIFORNIA CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.—F. F. Jewell, N. G. Luke, R. McElroy, C. V. Anthony, T. B. Breasse. John Widney, C. H. Bradley.

PUBLISHING COMMITTEE OF THE PITTSBURG CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.—*Pittsburg Conference*: H. C. Beacom, James Mechem, T. N. Eaton. *Erie Conference*: H. H. Moore, John Graham. *East Ohio Conference*: J. R. Mills, R. S. Randolph. *West Virginia Conference*: Benjamin Ison, G. C. Wilding.

General Book Editors.

Editor of Books of the General Catalogue at New York, Daniel Curry, D.D., LL.D.,* 805 Broadway, New York.

Editor of Books of the General Catalogue at Cincinnati, Jeremiah H. Bayliss, D.D., Cincinnati, Ohio.

Editor of Sunday-school Books and Tracts at New York, John H. Vincent, D.D., Editor; James M. Freeman, D.D., Assistant Editor, 805 Broadway, New York.

Editor of German Books, Cincinnati, William Nast, D.D., 190 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Editor of German Sunday-school Books and Tracts, Cincinnati, Henry Liebhart, D.D., 190 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Editors of Magazines and Sunday-School Periodicals.

Methodist Review (Bimonthly, 67th vol.), Daniel Wise, D.D.,† Editor; Phillips and Hunt, Publishers, 805 Broadway, N. Y. Price, per year..... \$2 50

Sunday-school and Tract Periodicals, New York, John H. Vincent, D.D., Editor; James M. Freeman, D.D., Assistant Editor; Phillips & Hunt, Publishers, 805 Broadway, New York. List:

Sunday-School Journal, New York, Monthly. Per year (in clubs of six)..... \$0 50

Sunday-School Advocate, New York, Semi-monthly. Per year..... 16

Our Youth, a Weekly for Young People and their Teachers..... 1 50

The Senior Leaf, New York, Quarterly. Per year..... 20

The Berean Leaf, New York, Quarterly. Per year..... 06

The Beginner's Leaf, New York, Quarterly. Per year..... 06

The Study, New York, Quarterly. Per year..... 50

Picture Lesson Paper, New York, Monthly. Per year..... 20

Sunday-School Classmate, Semi-monthly. Per year..... 16

Good Tidings, Weekly. Per year..... 50

House and Hearth (German), Monthly, Henry Liebhart, D.D., Editor; Cranston & Stowe, Publishers, 190 West Fourth St., Cincinnati, Ohio. Single copy, per year 2 00

Sunday-School Bell (German), Monthly, Henry Liebhart, D.D., Editor; Cranston & Stowe, Publishers, 190 West Fourth St., Cincinnati.

The Gospel in all Lands, Monthly, \$2 per year; *Missionary World*, Monthly, 25 cents per year; *The Little Missionary*, Monthly, 25 cents per year. All these papers are edited and published in the interest of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, by Eugene R. Smith, D.D., 805 Broadway, N. Y., to whom all correspondence should be addressed.

Editors and Publishers and Price of Weekly Periodicals.

The Christian Advocate, James M. Buckley, D.D., Editor; Robert R. Doherty, A. M., Assistant Editor; Phillips & Hunt, Publishers, 805 Broadway, New York. Price per year, \$2 50.

* Deceased, August 17, 1887.

† Appointed to supply vacancy caused by the death of Dr. Curry.

Western Christian Advocate. J. H. Bayliss, D.D., Editor; ———, Assistant Editor; Cranston & Stowe, Publishers, 190 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati. \$2 per year.

Northern Christian Advocate, Syracuse, N. Y.; O. H. Warren, D.D., Editor; Phillips & Hunt, Publishers. \$2 per year.

North-western Christian Advocate, Chicago, Ill. Arthur Edwards, D.D., Editor; Cranston & Stowe, Publishers. \$2 per year.

California Christian Advocate, San Francisco, Cal., B. F. Crary, D.D., Editor; Phillips & Hunt, Publishers. \$3 per year.

Central Christian Advocate, St. Louis, Mo., Benjamin St. James Fry, D.D., Editor; Cranston & Stowe, Publishers. \$2 per year.

South-western Christian Advocate, New Orleans, La., A. E. P. Albert, DD.,* Editor; Phillips & Hunt, Publishers. \$2 per year.

Christian Apologist (German), Cincinnati, Ohio., W. Nast, LL.D., Editor; Cranston & Stowe, Publishers. \$2 per year.

Sandebudet, or *Messenger* (Scandinavian), Chicago, Ill., N. O. Westergren, Editor; Cranston & Stowe, Publishers. \$2 per year.

Pittsburg Christian Advocate, Pittsburg, Pa., Charles W. Smith, D.D., Editor; Publishers, joint Conference Committee. \$2 per year.

Other Weekly Periodicals—Semi-official.†

Zion's Herald, Boston, Bradford K. Peirce, D.D.,‡ Editor.

Vermont Christian Messenger, Montpelier, Vt., Rev. J. R. Bartlett, Editor.

Buffalo Christian Advocate, Buffalo, N. Y., Rev. S. M'Gerald, Editor.

Michigan Christian Advocate, Detroit, Michigan, J. H. Potts, D.D., Editor.

Pacific Christian Advocate, Portland, Oregon, H. K. Hines, D.D., Editor.

The Philadelphia Methodist, Philadelphia, Pa., J. B. McCullough, D.D., Editor and Publisher.

Ocean Grove Record, Adam Wallace, D.D., Editor.

The Methodist Advocate, Chattanooga, Tenn., T. C. Carter, A.M., Editor.

The Baltimore Methodist, Baltimore, Md., edited by a committee appointed from the Baltimore Conference.

Quadrennial Sales Since 1844.

The quadrennial sales of the Book Concerns at New York and Cincinnati, as officially reported to the General Conferences, severally, since 1844 (the date of the separation of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South), have been as follows:

	BOOK CONCERN AT NEW YORK.	WESTERN BOOK CONCERN.	TOTAL.
Quadrennial Report, May, 1848.....	\$487,222 04	\$125,413 65	\$612,635 69
“ “ “ 1852.....	653,190 78	200,829 53	854,020 31
“ “ “ 1856.....	1,000,734 18	877,214 38	1,877,948 56
“ “ “ 1860.....	1,175,867 29	1,127,851 00	2,303,718 29
“ “ “ 1864.....	1,507,873 18	1,287,694 36	2,795,567 54
“ “ “ 1868.....	2,535,199 77	2,399,508 43	4,934,708 20
“ “ “ 1872.....	2,426,840 42	2,801,677 16	5,228,517 58
“ “ “ 1876.....	3,215,612 57	2,830,096 67	6,045,709 24
“ “ “ 1880.....	3,415,016 75	2,675,125 82	6,090,142 57
“ “ “ 1884.....	3,534,595 75	2,920,891 53	6,455,487 28
Total.....	\$19,952,152 73	\$17,246,302 53	\$37,198,455 26

*Appointed to succeed Dr. M. W. Taylor, who died 1887.

†There are many other papers published in the interests of the Methodist Episcopal Church, some of them strongly sustained by specific Annual Conference action. A nearly complete list of Methodist papers, giving also the names of the Editors and of the branch denominations in whose interest they are severally issued, may also be found in the *METHODIST CENTENNIAL YEAR BOOK*. The total number of periodicals in the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1884 was 72; aggregate in various branches of Methodism, 164.

Authorized by the General Conference.....	19
Other Periodicals of the Methodist Episcopal Church.....	53
Periodicals of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South (partial list).....	23
British Wesleyan Methodist Church.....	18
Other Methodist Churches, not included above.....	51

‡Resigned, to take effect Jan. 1, 1888.

It will be seen by the above that during the last ten quadrenniums the sales from books and periodicals reached the large sum of nearly *thirty-seven and a quarter millions of dollars*; also, that the sales of the last quadrennium were over *three hundred and sixty-five thousand dollars in excess of the preceding quadrennium*.

Annual Sales Since the General Conference of 1884.

The subjoined summaries are from the annual reports made by the Book Agents to the Book Committee and embraced by that committee in its official reports to the Annual Conferences since the General Conference in May, 1884. The financial year of the Book Concern at New York closes June 30, and that of the Western Book Concern Nov. 30.

	BOOK CONCERN AT NEW YORK.	WESTERN BOOK CONCERN.	TOTAL SALES.
Reports for 1884.....	\$919,328 57	\$781,698 44	\$1,701,027 01
Reports for 1885.....	1,018,808 70	779,439 12	1,798,247 82
Reports for 1886.....	1,010,903 00	870,363 66	1,881,266 66
Reports for 1887.....	1,094,186 69	*.....	*.....
Total.....	\$4,043,226 96	.....	.....

Financial Success of the Methodist Episcopal Publishing Business.

Net capital in 1836 (immediately after the great fire—exhibit March 31, 1836).....	\$191,655 76
Net capital in 1886 (see exhibit of Book Committee for 1886, dated Feb. 10, 1887).....	2,151,497 02
Gain in net capital in fifty years.....	\$1,959,841 26
Deduct contributions toward rebuilding (exhibit Jan. 1, 1840).....	89,994 98
Gain in net capital, exclusive of contributions.....	\$1,869,846 28
Amount † paid by Book Concerns at New York and Cincinnati outside of their own business, and by order of the General Conference.....	1,563,174 35
Total profits in the business in 50 years (1837-1887).....	\$3,433,020 63

Aside from the contributions named above toward the rebuilding of the Book Concern at New York after the great fire of 1836 (and which are excluded from the profits in the figures here given), not a dollar has ever been given to the Book Concern by legacies, subscriptions, collections, or other donations. From its regular and legitimate business alone, under the careful management of officers selected by the General Conference of the Church, it shows for the last fifty years a clear profit of over three millions of dollars—an *average annual profit of over sixty-eight thousand dollars!* As stated in the CENTENNIAL YEAR-BOOK, the achievement is without a parallel in the history of religious, benevolent, and ecclesiastical publishing establishments, reflecting great credit upon the fidelity, skill, and business tact of the Book Agents, and upon the general Connectional publishing system adopted by the Church.

The Subscription Book Department.

This department was organized August 5, 1875. Among the notable books issued thus far are the following:

The New People's Cyclopaedia of Universal Knowledge, new edition, revised and enlarged.

The Cyclopaedia of Universal History. By John Clark Ridpath, LL.D. Three styles.

The Universal Guide and Gazetteer to the Countries, Peoples, and Governments of the World.

History of the United States.

Illustrated History of Methodism. Recently revised and enlarged.

* Amount not made up.

† For the specific items entering into this amount, see CENTENNIAL YEAR-BOOK, 1894. The amount is made up of the sum paid to the Church, South, the sum paid for Bishops' salaries and traveling expenses, in dividends to Annual Conferences, and the sum paid to meet deficiencies in the expenses of delegates to General Conference, and other bills ordered by that body. It is exclusive of the amount (estimated at about \$180,000) paid out for the purchase and relief of local papers, whose values do not enter into the assets of the Book Concern.

New Illustrated Parallel Family Bible.

The Home Book for the Mothers of Our Land. By Dr. J. H. Vincent and Josephine Pollard.

The Liquor Problem in All Ages. By Daniel Dorchester, D.D.

Since the organization of this department over 570,000 volumes have been sold.

The principal subscription books published by the Western House are an English and a German Family Bible—fourteen styles in all, and superbly illustrated.

Report of the Book Committee for 1886.

The Book Committee, in the report to the Annual Conferences bearing date February 10, 1887 (the latest issued before these pages are made up, and giving a detailed exhibit of the Book Agents at New York for the year ending June 30, 1886, and of the Western Book Concern for the year ending Nov. 30, 1886), say:

"The continued faithful supervision of your publishing interests by the local committees in New York and Cincinnati, who, in promoting these interests, contribute freely, every month, much time and business experience, received the grateful acknowledgment of their associate members of the Book Committee, who represent General Conference Districts, and of the Book Agents.

"The detailed statements of the Agents, herewith submitted, are exhibits of the largest business ever transacted in a single year by the Book Concern. The large sales of books, the increased circulation of nearly all our periodicals, the liquidation of indebtedness and increase of assets, indicate the uninterrupted progress, by the blessing of God, of this great interest of the Church.

"The careful attention of the Conferences is invited to the following items:

"1. The increase of assets of the Book Concerns for the year was \$229,051 32.

"2. The total combined net assets, East and West, are \$2,151,497 02.

"3. The circulation of official *Christian Advocates*, East and West, throughout the Church exceeds 165,000.

"4. More than 210,000 *Sunday-School Advocates* and 100,000 *Classmates* are circulated among our children.

"5. 145,000 *Sunday-School Journals* are in the hands of our Sunday-school teachers.

"6. 1,400,000 *Berean Leaves* are studied in our Sunday-schools.

"7. There has been an increased business, with gratifying profits, at nearly every Depository.

"The Book Committee again invite the attention both of ministers and laymen to our *Methodist Review*, and bespeak for it the extended circulation it richly deserves.

"Our *Youth* is steadily, though not as rapidly as we could wish, increasing its circulation. It ought to be a welcome visitor in every Methodist home.

"A dividend of \$30,000 will be distributed to the Conferences the coming year.

"We note with much satisfaction an increasing promptness in the payment of accounts due the Book Concern at the Annual Conference sessions.

"The Disciplinary provision for the support of our Bishops has been observed and the usual apportionments made to the Annual Conferences. The Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund will be grateful for early collection and transmission of moneys raised for the support of the Bishops,

"The Book Committee, in presenting their Annual Report to the Conferences, congratulate the brethren, ministers and laymen, in the Church at large on the healthy growth of our Methodism throughout the world. We bespeak your hearty co-operation in extending the circulation of our periodicals and books among the people who are annually coming into our communion, that we may by this means supplement the preaching of the Word in spreading scriptural holiness over all lands."

National Local Preachers' Association.

Next annual meeting, Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 20-23, 1888. Officers for 1887-88: *President*, C. B. Stemen, M.D., North-west Indiana Conference; *Sec'y*, Daniel T. Macfarlan, Yonkers, N. Y.; *Cor. Sec'y*, C. C. Leigh, Brooklyn, N. Y.; *Treas.*, J. North, Baltimore, Md.

DEPARTMENT OF BENEVOLENCES.

Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Organized April 5, 1819. Head-quarters, 805 Broadway, N. Y.

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.—*President*, Bishop Bowman, D.D., LL.D., *Vice-Presidents*—the other Bishops, and Hon. Enoch L. Fancher, LL.D., Rev. M. D'C. Crawford, D.D., James H. Taft, Esq., Oliver Hoyt, Rev. D. Wise, D.D., H. M. Forrester, Esq., Hon. George J. Ferry. *Corresponding Secretaries*, John M. Reid, D.D., LL.D., Charles C. McCabe, D.D. *Treasurer*, J. M. Phillips, Esq., New York. *Assistant Treasurer*, Earl Cranston, D.D., Cincinnati. *Recording Secretary*, J. N. Fitzgerald, D.D.

GENERAL MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.—The Bishops, *ex officio*, the Corresponding Secretaries, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer; by *General Conference appointment*, Representatives of the Thirteen Mission Districts; and also Thirteen Representatives annually appointed by the Board of Managers. The "Committee shall determine what fields shall be occupied as Foreign Missions, the number of persons to be employed on said Missions, and the amount necessary for the support of each Mission, and it shall also determine the amount for which each Bishop may draw for the Domestic Missions of the Conferences over which he shall preside, and the Bishops shall not draw on the Treasurers for more than said amount. Nevertheless, in the intervals between the meetings of the General Missionary Committee the Board of Managers may provide for any unforeseen emergency that may arise in any of our Missions, and, to meet such demands, may expend an additional amount not exceeding \$25,000."

The following table shows the annual receipts of the Parent Missionary Society (*exclusive of the receipts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Woman's Home Missionary Society, Freedmen's Aid Society, and Board of Church Extension,*) for eight years:

Years.	From Conferences.	Legacies.	Sundry Sources.	Totals.	Increase.
1880. . .	\$500,182 46	\$34,710 27	\$22,478 41	\$557,371 14	\$5,511 84
1881. . .	570,965 77	33,865 26	20,832 86	625,663 89	68,292 75
1882. . .	621,381 08	48,605 09	21,679 84	691,666 01	66,002 12
1883. . .	650,772 54	78,091 32	22,606 04	751,469 90	59,803 89
1884. . .	652,188 99	49,970 02	28,966 85	731,125 86	.....
1885. . .	694,034 95	101,901 83	30,891 58	826,828 36	95,702 50
1886. . .	836,592 37	133,958 21	21,577 89	992,128 47	165,300 11
1887. . .	932,208 91	35,843 78	76,743 22	1,044,795 91	52,667 44
Totals	\$5,458,327 07	\$516,945 78	\$245,776 69	\$6,221,049 54	\$513,280 65

In 1884 there was a decrease of \$20,344 65. Deducting this from the increase above shows a net increase for last eight years of \$492,936 61, or an annual average increase of \$61,617 07.

The receipts during the quadrennium, 1880-1883, aggregated \$2,626,170 94; during the quadrennium, 1884-1887, they aggregated \$3,594,878 60, an increase over the previous quadrennium of \$968,707 66.

Grand total receipts of the Parent Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church from the date of its organization, in 1819, to November 1, 1887, \$20,161,439 99.

FOREIGN MISSIONARY WORK IN 1886.

Foreign missionaries and helpers, 1,797.

For names of foreign conferences and missions see next page.

Chapels and churches, 396, valued at \$1,320,536; also 574 additional places of worship.

Parsonage homes, 232, valued at \$431,913.

Hospitals, orphanages, schools, book-rooms, etc., valued at \$316,150.

Lay membership 56,000, with 40,000 other adherents.

Sunday-schools, 1,511, with 4,385 Sunday-school teachers and 74,413 Sunday school scholars.

Theological schools, 8, with 23 teachers and 167 students.

High schools, 17, with 100 teachers and 1,639 scholars.

Other day-schools, 598, with 18,683 scholars.

Collected in missions during the year for benevolent and home purposes, \$148,794.

Volumes printed during year, 504,963; pages printed during year, 31,423,791.

Missionary Appropriations for 1888.

1. Foreign Missions.

1. AFRICA:	
(1) Liberia: current work at the disposal of the Board.....	\$2,500
(2) For school at Monrovia at the disposal of the Board..	1,500
(3) Bishop Taylor's salary for the quadrennium.....	12,000
	\$16,000
2. SOUTH AMERICA:	
For current work.....	\$35,100
For educational work at the disposal of the Board.....	10,500
For Mission Press.....	1,000
For Transit Fund.....	1,900
Real Estate.....	10,000
	58,500
3. CHINA:	
(1) Foochow.....	\$22,493
(2) Central China.....	41,044
At disposal of Board.....	2,456
(3) North China (Peking).....	44,362
(4) West China.....	8,500
	118,855
4. GERMANY:	
For the work.....	\$20,460
For interest on Berlin debt.....	600
For debts.....	14,000
	35,060
5. SWITZERLAND:	
For the work.....	\$5,440
For debts.....	6,000
	11,440
6. SCANDINAVIA:	
(1) Denmark.....	\$9,838
(2) Norway.....	15,142
(3) Sweden.....	29,492
	54,472
7. INDIA:	
(1) North India.....	\$82,000
(2) South India.....	24,000
(3) Bengal.....	27,490
	133,490
8. BULGARIA AND TURKEY.	21,054
9. ITALY.....	52,237
10. MEXICO.....	59,592
11. JAPAN.....	56,660
12. KOREA.....	18,266
Total for Foreign Missions.....	
	\$635,626

II. Missions in the United States, not in Annual Conferences, to be administered as Foreign Missions:

1. Arizona, of which \$500 is at disposal of Board for schools.....	\$8,500
2. Black Hills, of which \$800 is at disposal of Board for teachers.....	6,500
3. Indian Territory.....	3,000
4. Nevada.....	4,000
At disposal of the Board for schools.....	1,000
5. New Mexico, for work.....	7,200
At disposal of Board for schools.....	1,000
6. New Mexico Spanish, for work.....	14,000
At disposal of Board for schools.....	2,000
7. Utah.....	9,100
For schools.....	7,950
Scandinavian work.....	5,390
schools.....	1,632
Total.....	
	\$71,272

III. Domestic Missions.

1. WELSH MISSIONS:	
Northern New York.....	\$600
Rock River.....	600
Wyoming.....	600
Total.....	\$1,800

2. SCANDINAVIAN MISSIONS:	
Austin (Swedish).....	\$4,275
California (Norwegian).....	1,000
California, (Swedish).....	2,200
Colorado (Swedish).....	500
Columbia River (Swedish).....	1,000
Louisiana, New Orleans (Swedish)....	1,000
New York East (Swedish).....	2,400
New York East (Norwegian).....	2,000
New England, \$500 of which is for new work (Swedish).....	3,200
New England Southern (Swedish).....	2,000
Norwegian and Danish.....	8,500
North-west Swedish, of which \$500 is for McKeesport.....	10,500
Oregon (Scandinavian).....	1,200
Puget Sound (Scandinavian).....	1,600
Southern California (Swedish).....	800
Wilmington (Swedish).....	300
Total.....	
	\$42,475

3. GERMAN MISSIONS:	
California German.....	\$3,500
Central German.....	5,600
Chicago German.....	4,000
Columbia River German.....	2,000
East German.....	6,500
Northern German.....	3,200
North-west German.....	4,200
Oregon German.....	1,400
Puget Sound German.....	1,100
Southern German.....	8,000
Saint Louis German.....	4,500
Southern California German.....	2,000
West German.....	7,500
Total.....	
	\$63,500

4. FRENCH MISSIONS:	
Central Illinois.....	\$1,400
Louisiana, at disposal of resident Bishop.....	1,500
New Hampshire: for New Hampshire, New England, and Troy, at disposal of Board.....	1,100
New England Southern.....	400
New York, at disposal of Board.....	1,000
Total.....	
	\$5,400

5. CHINESE MISSIONS:	
California.....	\$8,246
New York East.....	500
Oregon.....	1,200
Total.....	
	\$9,946

6. JAPANESE MISSIONS:	
California (\$450 of which is for repairs and furnishing).....	\$5,050

7. AMERICAN INDIAN:	
Central New York: For Onondagas..	\$500
For Oneidas.....	200
Columbia River.....	1,200
Detroit.....	700
Genesee.....	450
Michigan.....	700
Northern New York (\$200 of which is at disposal of Board).....	900
Puget Sound.....	400
Wisconsin.....	200
Total.....	
	\$5,250

8. BOHEMIAN:	
East Ohio.....	\$500
Pittsburg.....	1,500
Rock River.....	1,250
Total.....	
	\$3,250

9. ENGLISH-SPEAKING:	
Alabama.....	\$3,400
Arkansas.....	7,000
Austin (\$1,000 for transfer).....	7,000
Blue Ridge.....	5,000
California.....	4,500

9. ENGLISH-SPEAKING—Continued:

Central Alabama.....	\$4,000
Central Missouri.....	3,000
Central Tennessee.....	4,500
Colorado.....	10,500
Columbia River.....	6,250
Dakota.....	15,000
Delaware.....	1,000
Detroit, for frontier work.....	7,000
East Maine.....	1,500
East Tennessee.....	2,500
Florida.....	2,500
Georgia.....	4,000
Holston.....	4,500
Idaho.....	4,000
Kansas.....	2,000
Kentucky.....	5,500
Lexington.....	3,500
Little Rock.....	3,500
Louisiana (\$500 for new work in Lake Charles region).....	6,500
Michigan, for frontier work.....	6,000
Minnesota.....	8,500
Mississippi.....	7,000
Missouri.....	4,500
Montana.....	11,500
Nebraska.....	3,300
New Hampshire.....	1,200
North Carolina.....	4,000
North Dakota.....	9,500
North Nebraska.....	6,500
North-west Iowa.....	4,000
North-west Kansas.....	7,000
Oregon.....	2,200
Puget Sound.....	6,200
Saint John's River.....	3,500
Saint Louis.....	6,000
Savannah.....	3,500
South Carolina.....	6,000
Southern California.....	7,000
At disposal of resident Bishop.....	1,000
South Kansas.....	2,500
South-west Kansas.....	6,000
Tennessee.....	3,500

Texas.....	5,000
Vermont.....	1,200
Virginia.....	5,500
Washington.....	3,000
West Nebraska.....	10,500
West Texas.....	5,000
West Virginia.....	5,000
West Wisconsin.....	4,000
Wilmington.....	2,000
Wisconsin.....	3,500

Total for English-speaking Missions. \$283,250

IV. Miscellaneous.

1. Contingent Fund.....	\$25,000
2. Incidental Expenses.....	30,000
3. Office Expenses.....	20,000
4. For Disseminating Missionary In- formation.....	10,000

Total..... \$85,000

RECAPITULATION.

I. FOREIGN MISSIONS.....	\$635,626
II. MISSIONS IN THE UNITED STATES.....	71,272
III. DOMESTIC MISSIONS:	
Welsh Missions.....	1,800
Scandinavian Missions.....	42,475
German Missions.....	53,500
French Missions.....	5,400
Chinese Missions.....	9,946
Japanese Missions.....	5,050
American Indian.....	5,250
Bohemian and Hungarian.....	3,250
English-speaking.....	283,250
Total.....	\$409,921
IV. MISCELLANEOUS.....	85,000
Grand total.....	\$1,201,819

Missionary Apportionments for 1888.

Alabama.....	\$500	Indiana.....	\$15,000	North-west Swedish.....	\$5,000
Arizona.....	750	Iowa.....	11,500	Norway.....	1,200
Arkansas.....	900	Italy.....	300	Norwegian and Danish.....	3,000
Austin.....	1,500	Japan.....	200	Ohio.....	25,700
Baltimore.....	42,000	Kansas.....	7,000	Oregon.....	3,500
Bengal.....	300	Kentucky.....	4,000	Philadelphia.....	62,000
Black Hills.....	500	Korea.....	25	Pittsburg.....	23,000
Blue Ridge.....	500	Lexington.....	700	Puget Sound.....	1,700
Bulgaria and Turkey.....	100	Liberia.....	120	Rock River.....	28,000
California.....	9,000	Little Rock.....	400	Saint John's River.....	500
Central Alabama.....	500	Louisiana.....	1,500	Saint Louis.....	9,500
Central China.....	120	Maine.....	6,000	Saint Louis German.....	7,000
Central German.....	10,000	Mexico.....	750	Savannah.....	1,000
Central Illinois.....	19,000	Michigan.....	16,000	South America.....	150
Central Missouri.....	500	Minnesota.....	13,000	South Carolina.....	4,200
Central New York.....	24,500	Mississippi.....	1,000	South India.....	300
Central Ohio.....	18,500	Missouri.....	4,500	South-east India.....	12,500
Central Pennsylvania.....	35,500	Montana.....	1,500	Southern California.....	5,000
Central Tennessee.....	900	Nebraska.....	5,000	Southern German.....	3,000
Chicago German.....	5,400	Nevada.....	750	Southern Illinois.....	10,000
Cincinnati.....	29,000	Newark.....	32,000	South Kansas.....	5,250
Colorado.....	5,000	New England.....	27,500	South-west Kansas.....	4,750
Columbia River.....	2,500	New England Southern.....	15,000	Sweden.....	4,000
Dakota.....	3,500	New Hampshire.....	8,500	Switzerland.....	600
Delaware.....	2,600	New Jersey.....	29,500	Tennessee.....	1,500
Denmark.....	700	New Mexico.....	500	Texas.....	2,000
Des Moines.....	15,000	New Mexico Spanish.....	200	Troy.....	24,000
Detroit.....	16,000	New York.....	57,000	Upper Iowa.....	16,000
East German.....	6,500	New York East.....	57,000	Utah.....	600
East Maine.....	3,500	North Carolina.....	800	Vermont.....	7,500
East Ohio.....	28,500	North China.....	450	Virginia.....	1,400
East Tennessee.....	500	North Dakota.....	2,500	Washington.....	4,500
Erie.....	15,500	North India.....	750	West China.....	100
Florida.....	1,000	North Nebraska.....	15,500	West German.....	4,600
Fochoh.....	380	Northern German.....	2,000	West Nebraska.....	2,000
Genesee.....	20,500	Northern New York.....	19,000	West Texas.....	1,500
Georgia.....	500	North Ohio.....	15,500	West Virginia.....	6,600
Germany.....	2,000	North-west German.....	3,700	West Wisconsin.....	6,000
Holston.....	3,000	North-west Indiana.....	12,500	Wilmington.....	22,000
Idaho.....	600	North-west Iowa.....	5,000	Wisconsin.....	10,000
Illinois.....	28,500	North-west Kansas.....	3,500	Wyoming.....	20,500
Indian Territory.....	30				

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Organized in Boston, March 22, 1869. Annual meeting of General Executive Committee held in Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 7, 1885.

President, Mrs. I. R. Hitt. *Secretary*, Mrs. F. P. Crandon.

Receipts for year closing Oct. 1, 1887, \$191,158 13.

The Society includes nine associate branches, with territorial limits and present Corresponding Secretaries as follows: I. New England States, Mrs. M. P. Alderman, Hyde Park, Mass. II. New York and New Jersey, Mrs. W. B. Skidmore, 230 W. Fifty-ninth Street, New York. III. Pennsylvania and Delaware, Mrs. J. F. Keen, 1209 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa. IV. Maryland, District of Columbia, and Virginia, Miss Isabel Hart, 612 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, Md. V. Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky, and Tennessee, Mrs. B. R. Cowen, 7 Crescent Place, Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, O. VI. Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, and Wisconsin, Mrs. E. A. B. Hoag, Albion, Mich. VII. Iowa and Missouri, Mrs. M. S. Huston, Burlington, Ia. VIII. Minnesota, Dakota, Montana, Idaho, Washington Territory, and Oregon, Mrs. Mary C. Ninde, Minneapolis, Minn. IX. Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, and Wyoming, Mrs. H. E. M. Patta, Topeka, Kan.

The annual receipts of the Society have been as follows:

March, 1869, to April, 1870....	\$4,546 86	Feb. 10, 1879, to Feb. 10, 1880....	\$76,276 43
April 1, 1870, to April 1, 1871....	22,397 99	" 1880, to " 1881....	107,932 45
" 1871, to " 1872....	44,477 46	" 1881, to Oct. 1, 1882....	195,678 50
" 1872, to " 1873....	54,834 87	Oct. 1, 1882, to " 1883....	126,823 33
" 1873, to " 1874....	64,309 25	" 1883, to " 1884....	143,199 14
" 1874, to " 1875....	61,492 19	" 1884, to " 1885....	157,442 66
" 1875, to Feb. 10, 1876....	55,276 06	" 1885, to " 1886....	167,098 85
Feb. 10, 1876, to " 1877....	72,464 30	" 1886, to " 1887....	191,158 13
" 1877, to " 1878....	68,063 52		
" 1878, to " 1879....	66,842 69		
		Total.....	\$1,678,317 68

Heathen Woman's Friend.—This periodical, organ of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, has been edited from the beginning by Mrs. Warren, wife of Dr. William F. Warren, President of Boston University. Publishing Agent, Miss Pauline J. Walden, 36 Bromfield Street, Boston, Mass. A list of 19,987 subscribers was reported in 1887. Price, 50 cents per annum. The Society also publishes *Der Heiden Frau und Freund*, an eight-page monthly, in German. Price, 25 cents per year. It has 1,680 subscribers.

A Christian Illustrated Paper for the Women of India is issued from our Methodist Mission Press in Lucknow, India. It is printed in Hindi, Bengali, Urdu, Tamil. An edition of 5,000 copies is issued monthly.

The Society has work in Japan, China, Korea, India, Bulgaria, Italy, South America, and Mexico. At the close of 1886 it reported:

Missionaries now in the field, 70; assistants, 64; Bible women and medical workers, 227; girls in orphanages, 352; day-schools, 209, with 4,808 pupils; women under instruction, 7,000; pupils in boarding schools, 1,286.

Appropriations for 1888, \$228,000.

The home work is represented by 4,367 auxiliary societies and 115,000 annual members.

The next session of the General Executive Committee will be held in Cincinnati, O. October, 1888.

Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Organized in Cincinnati, July 8, 1880. Sixth annual meeting in 1887, held in Syracuse, N. Y. The first year showed effective organization in 14 Conferences, the second in 30, the third in 35, the fourth in 43, the fifth in 51, the sixth in 69. The first year the contributions in cash and supplies aggregated \$8,564 98; the second, \$17,496 87; the third, \$24,908 80; the fourth, \$30,189 39 cash, and \$20,737 84, the estimated value of supplies; the fifth year, ending Oct. 15, 1886, \$37,182 75 cash, and supplies, \$20,000, and the sixth year \$48,700 cash, and supplies \$35,700—total, \$84,400.

Officers: *President*, Mrs. Rutherford B. Hayes, Fremont, O. *Vice-Presidents*, Mrs. John Davis, 323 Elm Street, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, Cleveland, O.; Mrs. H. C. McCabe, Delaware, O.; Mrs. Bishop Walden, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Mrs. Jennie F. Willing, Freeport, Ill. *Honorary Vice-Presidents*, Mrs. Bishop Wiley, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. Bishop

Simpson, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Bishop Kingsley, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Amos Shinkle, Covington, Ky.; Mrs. McLellan Brown, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. A. Wessel, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. John Simpkinson, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. Bishop Peek, Mrs. Bishop Harris, Mrs. Bishop Andrews, and Mrs. Gen. Ulysses S. Grant. *Recording Secretary*, Mrs. F. A. Aiken, 144 Dayton Street, Cincinnati, O. *Corresponding Secretary*, Mrs. R. S. Rust, 339 West 4th Street, Cincinnati, O. *Treasurer*, Mrs. A. R. Clark, Cincinnati, O. *Resident Managers*, Mrs. Richard Dymond, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. J. L. Whetstone, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. William G. Williams, Delaware, O.; Mrs. William Runyon, Springfield, O.; Mrs. W. F. Thorne, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. J. H. Bayliss, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. J. W. Gosling, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. R. V. P. Goff, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. E. House, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. William Ampt, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. W. C. Herron, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. M. B. Hagens, Cincinnati, O. *Editor of Woman's Home Missions*, Mrs. L. D. McCabe, Delaware, O. Circulation of paper, 12,200. *Secretary of Bureau of Supplies*, Mrs. Mary T. Lodg, 53 Arsenal Avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.

The Society has 17 Missionary teachers laboring in Utah, 2 Missionaries and 2 Bible women in New Mexico, 4 missionaries among the Indians, and has aided in the erection of buildings necessary to its work in the western Territories to the amount of \$12,000. It has 8 Model Homes and Industrial Schools in the South, provided at a cost of \$36,000. In them are employed 17 teachers, 5 missionaries are laboring in Southern cities, one at Castle Garden, New York city, and others under the Bureau of Local Work in other cities.

The Board of Church Extension.

Organized in 1864. Head-quarters, 1026 Arch Street, Philadelphia.

Officers, 1885-86: *President*, Rev. Thomas T. Tasker. *Corresponding Secretary*, A. J. Kynett, D.D. *Assistant Corresponding Secretary*, Rev. W. A. Spencer, D.D. *Recording Secretary*, Rev. J. S. J. McConnell. *Treasurer*, James Long, Esq.

The funds for Church Extension are of two classes:

I. The GENERAL FUNDS are derived from collections in the churches, personal gifts, interest on loans, bequests, etc., etc., not otherwise directed. A definite amount is annually asked of each Conference, district, and pastoral charge. The General Funds are available for donations to churches for the general purposes of the Board.

II. The LOAN FUND is derived from special subscriptions, gifts, (sometimes subject to life annuity), bequests, etc., etc., *specially directed to the Loan Fund*. The subscription list for this Fund reached a total of \$1,000,000.

[For lists and tabulated subscriptions see *Centennial Year-Book* of 1884.]

The Loan Fund is administered under the following limitations and provisions:

1. No part of said Fund shall ever be donated for any purpose, or used for current expenses, but shall be preserved without diminution a PERPETUAL FUND.

2. Said Fund may be loaned to any church or society without interest, in small sums, in no case exceeding \$5,000; or with interest, as occasion may require, and the Board shall from time to time determine, in aid of the objects of the Board of Church Extension.

3. Sums of \$5,000 and upward, contributed by any one person, church, or Conference, may be named by the contributor, and shall constitute a separate Loan Fund, and the Corresponding Secretary shall report annually the investment thereof and the work accomplished thereby.

Total receipts on General Fund of Board of Church Extension to Oct. 31, 1887. (From Nov. 1, 1886 to Oct. 31, 1887, \$158,625 16).	\$2,102,265 72
Total receipts on Loan Fund of Board of Church Extension to Oct. 31, 1887. (From Nov. 1, 1886, to Oct. 31, 1887, \$42, 533 48).....	\$597,119 46
Total receipts to Nov. 1, 1887.....	\$2,699,385 18

Total number of churches aided to November, 1887, 6,327

Disbursements for year ending Oct. 31, 1887: Donations, etc., \$157,374 74; loans, \$111,650; total, \$269,024 74.

The Board of Church Extension accepts contributions subject to an annuity, payable to the order of the persons making such donations.

THE AMOUNTS ASKED AND AUTHORIZED FOR CHURCH EXTENSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING OCT. 31, 1888, ARE AS FOLLOWS:

CONFERENCE.	Amount Asked.	Amount Authorized	CONFERENCE.	Amount Asked.	Amount Authorized
Alabama.....	\$100	\$4,000	N. Mexico Mission, English.	\$100	\$1,200
Arizona Mission.....	100	800	N. Mexico Mission, Spanish.	50	1,000
Arkansas.....	250	1,500	New York.....	10,000	1,000
Austin.....	250	600	New York East.....	9,000	8,000
Baltimore.....	6,000	2,000	North Carolina.....	100	750
Black Hills Missions.....	200	1,250	North Dakota.....	500	3,000
Blue Ridge.....	200	1,500	North German.....	3,500	3,500
California.....	2,000	4,000	North Indiana.....	2,500	650
Central Alabama.....	100	1,200	Northern New York.....	3,500	2,000
Central German.....	6,000	6,000	North Nebraska.....	1,000	4,000
Central Illinois.....	4,500	1,000	North Ohio.....	3,000	800
Central Missouri.....	200	1,200	North-west German.....	2,000	2,000
Central New York.....	5,000	1,100	North-west Indiana.....	3,000	500
Central Ohio.....	3,500	1,000	North-west Iowa.....	1,200	3,000
Central Pennsylvania.....	5,000	1,200	North-west Kansas.....	1,000	4,000
Central Tennessee.....	200	500	North-west Swedish.....	1,000	1,500
Chicago German.....	6,000	6,000	Norwegian and Danish.....	500	1,000
Cincinnati.....	5,000	1,500	Ohio.....	5,000	900
Colorado.....	1,500	2,000	Oregon.....	500	1,500
Columbia River.....	500	1,200	Philadelphia.....	11,000	3,500
Dakota.....	1,000	3,500	Pittsburg.....	4,000	800
Delaware.....	500	1,000	Puget Sound.....	500	2,500
Des Moines.....	3,000	3,000	Rock River.....	6,000	1,250
Detroit.....	3,500	3,000	Saint John's River.....	150	1,500
East German.....	5,000	5,000	Saint Louis.....	2,000	3,000
East Maine.....	600	600	Saint Louis German.....	4,000	4,000
East Ohio.....	5,000	1,000	Savannah.....	250	1,500
East Tennessee.....	100	1,000	Southern California.....	1,500	7,000
Erie.....	4,000	1,000	South Carolina.....	400	1,200
Florida.....	150	1,000	Southern German.....	200	1,000
Genesee.....	5,000	1,000	Southern Illinois.....	2,000	1,000
Georgia.....	100	1,000	South-east Indiana.....	2,000	500
Holston.....	1,000	2,700	South Kansas.....	2,500	2,500
Idaho.....	200	1,500	South-west Kansas.....	2,000	4,000
Illinois.....	5,000	500	Tennessee.....	200	800
Indiana.....	3,000	500	Texas.....	400	1,200
Indian Mission.....	50	800	Troy.....	4,500	1,000
Iowa.....	2,800	1,000	Upper Iowa.....	3,500	1,000
Kansas.....	2,500	2,500	Utah Mission.....	200	4,000
Kentucky.....	1,000	1,200	Vermont.....	1,200	600
Lexington.....	300	1,000	Virginia.....	300	1,000
Little Rock.....	150	1,500	Washington.....	750	1,500
Louisiana.....	500	3,000	West German.....	5,500	5,500
Maine.....	1,000	400	West Nebraska.....	500	4,000
Michigan.....	3,500	3,000	West Texas.....	400	1,000
Minnesota.....	3,500	4,000	West Virginia.....	1,000	800
Mississippi.....	300	1,500	West Wisconsin.....	1,000	1,200
Missouri.....	1,500	2,500	Wilmington.....	4,000	2,800
Montana.....	100	2,000	Wisconsin.....	2,500	1,200
Nebraska.....	1,500	4,500	Wyoming.....	4,000	1,000
Nevada Mission.....	100	600	Contingent Fund.....	....	5,000
Newark.....	5,500	1,500	Emergency Fund.....	....	4,250
New England.....	3,000	5,000	Office Expenses.....	....	17,000
New England Southern.....	3,000	1,200			
New Hampshire.....	1,200	800	Redemption of Bonds.....	\$236,150	\$236,150
New Jersey.....	5,000	1,000			

The following resolutions, passed by the General Committee from time to time, are binding on all concerned. The first and second modify the amounts authorized for the Conferences severally, as the collections shall fall below the amounts asked.

That the Board be authorized to make appropriations within each Conference in proportion to the response of the Conference by its collections to the call made upon it.

That the amounts authorized to Conferences are to be furnished, as far as practicable,

by *pro rata* division of the collections. The Board may supplement, as far as practicable, the balance of the appropriations authorized by loans from the Loan Fund.

That moneys received in response to the appeal of C. C. McCabe for a special fund of \$100,000 be appropriated within the frontier Conferences and Missions, and administered by the Board without reference to the amounts authorized for the Conferences severally, and in accordance with the expressed wishes of the donors.

That the members of the several Conferences be earnestly requested to present the cause of Church Extension separately from all other causes.

Sunday-School Union.

Organized June 3, 1840. Incorporated by Legislature of the State of New York, February, 1852. Head-quarters, 805 Broadway, New York.

Present officers: *President*, Bishop Bowman. *Vice-Presidents*, the remaining Bishops, J. E. Searles, Jr., and E. S. Halsted. *Corresponding Secretary*, J. H. Vincent, D.D., LL.D. *Assistant Corresponding Secretary*, J. M. Freeman, D.D. *German Assistant Corresponding Secretary*, H. Leibhart, D.D. *Recording Secretary*, Robert R. Doherty, A. M. *Treasurer*, D. Denham. *Agent for the work in the South and South-west*, A. H. Gillet, D.D., Wyoming, O. *Agent for the work in the West and North-west*, J. C. W. Coxe, D.D., Washington, Iowa. The Board of Managers is composed of 32 ministers and 32 laymen.

The reports to the General Conference in May, 1884, showed that there were at the close of the quadrennium 21,453 Sunday-schools, 229,565 officers and teachers, 1,796,034 scholars—an increase during the quadrennium of 1,113 schools, 2,198 officers and teachers, 257,723 scholars. The total number of conversions reported during the four years was 297,803.

The treasury of the Sunday-School Union had received from the churches during the four years \$67,483 64, and had aided by grants 3,500 Sunday-schools.

Applications for aid in behalf of Sunday-schools should be addressed, *free of postage*, to the Corresponding Secretary at New York or to the secretary of the local committee nearest to the applicant, thereby saving in cost of transportation.

No application can be considered unless the school for which aid is asked is connected with the Methodist Episcopal Church. The pastor or presiding elder must further certify that, in his judgment, the school is *needy*, as it is not the design of the Union to afford aid to schools able to sustain themselves.

All communications respecting statistics and the general business of the Sunday-School Union of the Methodist Episcopal Church should be addressed to the Corresponding Secretary. Funds should be remitted to the Treasurer. Remittances may also be made to any one of the treasurers of the various local committees.

Tract Society.

Organized in 1852. Incorporated by New York Legislature, April 13, 1854. Head-quarters, 805 Broadway, New York.

President, Bishop Bowman. *Vice-Presidents*, the remaining Bishops and Wm. Truflow and John Bentley. *Cor. Sec.*, J. H. Vincent, D.D. *Rec. Sec.*, J. M. Freeman, D.D. *Treasurer*, S. Hunt, D.D. *Tract Agent* for New York City, Rev. G. H. Goodsell.

The principal agents are the Presiding Elders, Pastors, Tract Committees, and Sunday-school officers and teachers. To secure the aid of these voluntary laborers the Society offers to give \$3 worth of tracts to the Pastor or Tract Committee of every Mission that will apply for them.

To every self-supporting appointment the Society will give a supply of tracts to the value of ONE HALF the last collection taken in the charge for the Tract Society, the balance of the collection to be used for the general purposes of the Society.

Applications for tracts should be made to the same persons as for grants by Sunday-School Union.

Statistical summaries, May 1, 1884, as reported to the General Conference, showed that the number of tract pages circulated during the last quadrennium was about 52,215,000. The receipts for the four years closing January 1, 1884, aggregated \$55,015. During

the last 33 years the Society has contributed about \$400,000, and has issued during the same time over 750,000,000 of pages of tracts. It has tracts in German, French, Spanish, Italian, Swedish, and Danish, as well as in English, and has aided every foreign mission field occupied by our Church.

Local Treasurers of the Sunday-School Union and the Tract Society.

George P. Johnson, 190 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

J. P. Magee, 38 Bromfield Street, Boston, Mass.

W. M. Dandy, 57 Washington Street, Chicago, Ill.

F. B. Clegg, 1018 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Rev. D. H. Carroll, D.D., 118 East Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Md.

S. H. Pye, 1101 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo.

William Abbott, 1037 Market Street, San Francisco, Cal.

J. T. Burke, 189 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, Mich.

Rev. J. Horner, D.D., 527 Smithfield Street, Pittsburg, Pa.

Rev. H. Nuelsen, Bremen, Germany.

Rev. T. Craven, Lucknow, India.

[For elaborate historic notes of the Sunday-School Union and the Tract Society, see *Centennial Year-Book of 1884*.]

Freedmen's Aid Society.

Organized in Cincinnati, Aug. 7, 1866. Head-quarters are at Western Methodist Book Concern, Cincinnati, O.

President, Bishop John M. Walden, D.D. *Corresponding Secretary*, Rev. R. S. Rust, D.D. *Assistant*, Rev. J. C. Hartzell, D.D. *Agent*, Rev. G. W. Gray, D.D. *Recording Secretary*, Rev. W. H. Pearne, D.D. *Treasurers*, Rev. Earl Cranston, D.D., Cincinnati, O.; J. M. Phillips, Esq., New York.

The work of the Society is "The mental and moral elevation of Freedmen and others in the South, who have special claims upon the people of America, for help in the work of Christian education."

"In presenting the claims of this Society, the preacher in charge shall state plainly that the educational work of the Society is among both white and colored people."

Receipts for the year ending July 1, 1887, \$177,152 43.

Total disbursements since organization of the Society in 1866, \$1,913,723 34.

Whole number of institutions supported wholly or in part by the Society in the Southern States, 43. Of these twenty-five are among the colored and eighteen are among the white people.

The Society asks, for the prosecution of its work during 1887 and 1888, \$250,000, and this appeal is heartily approved by the Bishops and Annual Conferences.

[For full list of institutions, see *Centennial Year-Book*, 1884.]

Board of Education.

Organized in 1868. Incorporated in 1869. First Corresponding Secretary elected and work officially commenced in 1872.

Present officers: *President*, Rev. Bishop E. G. Andrews, D.D. *Recording Secretary*, J. W. Lindsay, D.D. *Treasurer*, Joseph S. Stout, Esq. *Corresponding Secretary*, D. A. Goodsell, D.D. (Corresponding Secretary's address, 805 Broadway, N. Y.)

Members of the Board.—Term to expire in 1888: Bishop E. G. Andrews, D.D.; Rev. A. S. Hunt, D.D.; J. Long, Esq., Philadelphia. Term to expire in 1892: Rev. John W. Lindsay, D.D.; Rev. L. R. Fiske, D.D.; John Elliot, Esq., New York; Joseph S. Stout, 25 Broad Street, N. Y. Term to expire 1896: John F. Hurst, D.D.; Rev. W. M. Frysjinger, D.D., Baltimore, Md.; Jacob Sleeper, Esq., Boston, Mass.; John D. Slayback, Esq., New York.

The available funds of the Board are the proceeds, 1. Of the General Educational Fund of the Church; 2. Of the Children's Fund, both supplemented by annual collections made in churches, and specially by those of Children's Day: also by special donations.

Receipts from collections, legacies, special donations, and repayment of loans:

1873.....	\$1,490 68	1881.....	9,256 86
1874.....	4,620 90	1882.....	18,026 56
1875.....	(net) 2,141 28	1883.....	32,718 42
1876.....	887 26	1884.....	56,151 65
1877.....	1,994 57	1885.....	38,852 70
1878.....	565 30	1886.....	37,926 47
1879.....	2,491 59	1887.....	*38,403 77
1880.....	\$2,079 24		

The disbursements are made in loans to candidates for the ministry or other Christian work, to aid them in securing a thorough education. Preference is always given to grown-up Sunday-school scholars, and also to Conferences that send their educational collections to the Board. The Corresponding Secretary has charge of all correspondence and executive business of the Board.

The amount of disbursements in loans to more than 2,100 students in more than 90 different institutions, in all parts of the United States and in several foreign countries, had, prior to July, 1886, reached the sum of \$226,718 62.

The principal support of the great work of the Board of Education comes from the annual observance of Children's Day, in conformity with the following paragraph of the Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church:

"It is recommended that the second Sunday in June be every-where observed as Children's Day; and that wherever practicable a collection be taken in the Sunday-school in aid of the Sunday-school Fund of the Board of Education."

SUMMARY OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS REPORTED TO GENERAL CONFERENCE, 1884:

CLASS OF INSTITUTIONS.	No.	Value of Buildings and Grounds.	Endowments.	Debts.	No. of Teachers.	Students last year.	Students from the beginning.
Theological Institutions.....	10	\$440,500	\$673,500	\$26,000	48	547	3,175
Colleges and Universities.....	45	4,133,114	6,060,976	345,174	733	14,375	162,273
Classical Seminaries.....	61	1,855,400	273,700	156,800	388	10,729	219,953
Female Colleges and Seminaries.	8	680,000	18,000	62,000	135	1,154	23,978
Foreign Mission Schools.....	19	175,626	5,000	2,500	101	1,886	4,537
	143	\$7,584,640	\$7,031,176	\$592,474	1405	28,591	413,906

Increase in 18 years: Theological Institutions, 8; Colleges and Universities, 22; Classical Seminaries and Female Colleges, 9; total institutions, 39; teachers, 691; students, 5,485; value of buildings and endowments, \$10,968,342.

Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The treasurer's quadrennial report to the General Conference of 1884 showed receipts aggregating \$26,704 02; disbursements, \$7,337 03.

Trustees whose term closes in 1888: Bishop Walden, Joseph M. Trimble, Fernando C. Holliday, Edward Sargent, John Cochnower, Amos Shinkle.

Trustees whose term closes in 1892: Luke Hitchcock, Charles W. Ketcham, Earl Cranston, Marcellus B. Hagans, Will Cumbach, P. M. Bigney.

Trustees of John Street Church.

The following were appointed by the General Conference of 1884 trustees of the John Street Church, New York, to serve for the quadrennium, 1884-88: Edward Allen, William Collins, John Bentley, James Wright, B. M. Tilton, Walter E. Bailey, Reece B. Gwillem, James S. Coward, and William H. De Puy. Officers of the Board: W. H. De Puy, *President*; James Wright, *Secretary*; John Bentley, *Treasurer*.

* Of which \$34,422 87 was received from the Children's Day collections.

American Bible Society.

Society organized, 1816. Head-quarters, Bible House, New York. Number of copies issued during its 71st year (ending April 30, 1887), 1,447,270—an average for each working day of the year (omitting Sundays and legal holidays) of 5,058 copies.

Of the copies issued 584,603 were circulated in foreign lands.

Total issues of the Society during the 71 years of its existence, 48,324,916—an annual average for the period of over 680,000 copies.

Executive officers: *President*, Hon. Enoch L. Fancher, LL.D. *Corresponding Secretaries*, Edward W. Gilman, D.D. (elected in 1871); Alexander McLean, D.D. (elected in 1874), and Albert S. Hunt, D.D., (elected in 1878). *Treasurer*, William Foulke, Jr. (elected in 1886.) *General Agent*, Caleb T. Rowe, Esq. (elected in 1854.)

The receipts of the year for general purposes were \$493,358 35. Of this amount \$186,567 76 was received for books and on purchase account; \$77,537 04 from legacies; \$62,640 19 in donations from auxiliary societies, churches and individuals; \$34,413 08 from rentals; \$132,200 28 and the residue from interest and other sources.

Names of the Agents now serving the Society in foreign lands, whose whole time is devoted to its interests, with the dates of their appointment: *Levant*, Rev. Isaac G. Bliss, D.D. (1857), and Rev. Edwin M. Bliss (1877), Constantinople. *La Plata*, Rev. Andrew M. Milne (1864), Montevideo. *China*, Rev. Luther H. Gulick, M.D. (1875), Shanghai. *Mexico*, Rev. H. P. Hamilton (1879), Mexico. *Persia*, Rev. William L. Whipple (1880), Tabreez. *Brazil*, Rev. H. C. Tucker (1887), Rio de Janeiro. *Japan*, Rev. Henry Loomis (1881), Yokohama. *Cuba*, Rev. A. J. McKim (1884).

International Bible Lessons for 1888.

First Quarter.

- Jan.* 1. Herod and John the Baptist. Matt. 14. 1-12.
 8. The Multitude Fed. Matt. 14. 13-21.
 15. Jesus Walking on the Sea. Matt. 14. 22-36.
 22. Jesus and the Afflicted. Matt. 15. 21-31.
 29. Peter Confessing Christ. Matt. 16. 13-28.
Feb. 5. The Transfiguration. Matt. 17. 1-13.
 12. Jesus and the Little Ones. Matt. 18. 1-14.
 19. A Lesson on Forgiveness. Matt. 18. 21-35.
 26. The Rich Young Ruler. Matt. 19. 16-26.
March. 4. Christ's Last Journey to Jerusalem. Matt. 20. 17-29.
 11. Christ Entering Jerusalem. Matt. 21. 1-16.
 18. The Son Rejected. Matt. 21. 33-46.
 25. Review: Temperance Lesson, Gal. 5. 16-26; Missionary Lesson, Psalms. 2. 1-12.

Second Quarter.

- April* 1. The Marriage Feast. Matt. 22. 1-14.
 8. Christ's Last Warning. Matt. 23. 27-39.
 15. Christian Watchfulness. Matt. 24. 42-51.
 22. The Ten Virgins. Matt. 25. 1-13.
 29. The Talents. Matt. 25. 14-30.
May 6. The Judgment. Matt. 25. 31-46.
 13. The Lord's Supper. Matt. 26. 17-30.
 20. Jesus in Gethsemane. Matt. 26. 36-46.
 27. Peter's Denial. Matt. 26. 67-75.
June 3. Jesus Crucified. Matt. 27. 33-50.
 10. Jesus Risen. Matt. 28. 1-15.
 17. The Great Commission. Matt. 28. 16-20.
 24. Review: Temperance Lesson, Cor. 8. 1-13; Missionary Lesson, Isaiah. 61. 4-11.

Third Quarter.

- July* 1. God's Covenant with Israel. Exod. 24. 1-12.

8. The Golden Calf. Exod. 32. 15-26.
 15. God's Presence Promised. Exod. 33. 12-23.
 22. Free Gifts for the Tabernacle. Exod. 35. 20-29.
 29. The Tabernacle. Exod. 40. 1-16.
Aug. 5. The Burnt Offering. Lev. 1. 1-9.
 12. The Day of Atonement. Lev. 16. 1-16.
 19. The Feast of Tabernacles. Lev. 23. 33-44.
 26. The Pillar of Cloud and of Fire. Num. 9. 15-23.
Sept. 2. The Spies Sent into Canaan. Num. 13. 17-33.
 9. The Unbelief of the People. Num. 14. 1-10.
 16. The Smitten Rock. Num. 20. 1-13.
 23. Death and Burial of Moses. Deut. 34. 1-12.
 30. Review: Temperance Lesson, Deut. 21. 18-21; Missionary Lesson, 1 Thess. 1. 1-10.

Fourth Quarter.

- Oct.* 7. The Commission of Joshua. Josh. 1. 1-9.
 14. Crossing the Jordan. Josh. 3. 5-17.
 21. The Stones of Memorial. Josh. 4. 10-24.
 28. The Fall of Jericho. Josh. 6. 1-16.
Nov. 4. Defeat at Ai. Josh. 7. 1-12.
 11. Caleb's Inheritance. Josh. 14. 5-15.
 18. Helping One Another. Josh. 21. 43-45.
 25. The Covenant Renewed. Josh. 24. 19-28.
Dec. 2. Israel Under Judges. Judg. 2. 11-23.
 9. Gideon's Army. Judg. 7. 1-8.
 16. Death of Samson. Judg. 16. 21-31.
 23. Ruth's Choice. Ruth 1. 16-22.
 30. Review: or, Temperance Lesson, Num. 6. 1-4; or, Missionary Lesson, Psalms. 67. 1-7.

Forms for Requests to Benevolent Institutions.

Bequest to Missionary Society.—"I give and bequeath to THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, incorporated by the Legislature of the State of New York, the sum of [*here insert amount,*] and the receipt of the Treasurer thereof shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors for the same." If it be a devise of land the following form should be observed: "I give and devise to THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, incorporated by the Legislature of the State of New York, the following lands and premises, that is to say: [*brief description here,*] to have and to hold the same with the appurtenances to the said Society, its successors and assigns forever."

Bequest to Church Extension Board.—"I give and bequeath to THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, incorporated by the Legislature of the State of Pennsylvania, the sum of [*here insert amount,*] and the receipt of the Treasurer thereof shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors for the same." *Form of a Devise of land to said Board:* "I give and bequeath to THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, incorporated by the Legislature of the State of Pennsylvania, the following land and premises, that is to say: [*describe property here,*] to have and to hold the same, with the appurtenances, to the said Board, its successors and assigns forever."

Bequest to Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.—"I give and bequeath to the WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, incorporated by the Legislature of the State of New York, the sum of [*here insert amount,*] and the receipt of the Treasurer thereof shall be a sufficient discharge of my executors for the same." In case of a devise of real estate: "I give and devise to the WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, incorporated by the Legislature of the State of New York, all that certain [*here describe the property*] with the appurtenances, in fee simple, for the purposes of said Society."

Bequest to Freedmen's Aid Society.—"I give and bequeath to the FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, incorporated under the General Laws of the State of Ohio, the sum of [*here insert amount,*] for the purposes of said Society."

Bequest to Sunday-School Union.—"I give unto the SUNDAY-SCHOOL UNION OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, established in the city of New York in the year of our Lord 1840, the sum of [*here insert amount,*] for the purposes of said Society, and for which the receipt of the Treasurer thereof shall be a sufficient discharge."

Bequest to Tract Society.—"I give unto THE TRACT SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, incorporated by an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, passed April 15, 1854, the sum of [*here insert amount,*] for the purposes of said Society, and for which the receipt of the Treasurer thereof shall be a sufficient discharge."

Bequest to American Bible Society.—"I give and bequeath to the AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY, formed in New York, in the year 1816, the sum of [*here insert amount,*] to be applied to the charitable uses and purposes of said Society."

The Will should be attested by three witnesses [in some States three are required—in other States only two] who should write against their names their places of residence, [if in cities, their street and number.] The following form of attestation will answer for every State in the Union: "Signed, sealed, published, and declared by the said [A. B.] as his last Will and Testament, in presence of us, who, at the request of the said [A. B.] and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses." Some States require the Will to be made at least two months before death.

NOTE.—Bequests may be made to any other Society not mentioned above by using the following form: I give and bequeath to the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, incorporated under the General Laws of the State of Ohio, the sum of [*here insert the amount*] in trust for the benefit and to be applied according to the direction of [*here insert the name of the Society for whose benefit the bequest is designed.*]

OTHER CHURCHES.

Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

BISHOPS—POST-OFFICE ADDRESS.

Holland Nimmons McTyeire, D.D., Nashville, Tenn.
 John Christian Keener, D.D., New Orleans, La.
 Alpheus Waters Wilson, D.D., Baltimore, Md.
 John Cowper Granberry, D.D., St. Louis, Mo.
 Robert Kennon Hargrove, D.D., Chattanooga, Tenn.
 William Wallace Duncan, D.D., Spartanburg, S. C.
 Charles Betts Galloway, D.D., Brookhaven, Miss.
 Eugene Russell Hendrix, D.D., Kansas City, Mo.
 Joseph Stanton Key, D.D., Macon, Ga.

NUMERICAL SUMMARIES FOR 1887.*

	This Year.	Increase.
Annual Conferences and Missions.....	42	....
Bishops.....	9	....
Traveling Preachers.....	4,434	28†
Local Preachers.....	5,989	46
White Lay Members.....	1,049,816	74,556
Colored Members.....	653	126
Indian Members‡.....	5,485	627
Total Lay Members.....	1,055,954	75,309
Total Preachers and Lay Members.....	1,066,377	75,346
Infants baptized during year.....	23,871	4,325
Adults.....	74,582	15,827
Total baptisms " ".....	108,453	20,152
Sunday-schools.....	11,177	555
Sunday-school Teachers.....	77,515	5,544
Sunday-school Scholars.....	612,519	50,772
Number of Churches.....	10,951	....
Number of Parsonages.....	2,030	....
Value of Churches.....	\$13,835,149	....
Value of Parsonages.....	\$2,247,288	....
Total Value of Churches and Parsonages.....	\$16,082,437	....
Raised for Church Extension.....	\$34,632 21	....
" " Conference Claimants.....	\$94,089 51	\$4,912 42
" " Foreign Missions.....	\$176,363 74	\$13,152 54
" " Domestic Missions.....	\$80,865 09	\$2,926 70
Total raised for Missions.....	\$257,228 33	\$16,079 24
Total for Missions and Church Extension.....	\$291,861 04	\$20,991 66

In an interesting table headed "Ministerial Relations" the General Minutes of the Church, South, furnish the following additional summaries for the year closing with the last Conference held before the Bishops' Annual Meeting in May:

Traveling Preachers admitted on trial.....	280
" " to full connection.....	233
" " re-admitted.....	42
" " received by transfer.....	110
" " discontinued.....	43
" " located.....	62
" " withdrawn or expelled.....	12
" " died.....	65
Present number of Effective Preachers.....	3,891
" " Supernumerary Preachers.....	184
" " Superannuated.....	359

* The "round" of Annual Conferences closes with the Baltimore Conference, about May 1.

† Dr. Harrison, book editor, in a note, shows the real increase of traveling preachers for the year was 107. The number reported last year was 79 too many.

‡ All in the Indian Missions.

Present number of Traveling Preachers.....	4,434
Traveling Preachers ordained Deacons during year	145
Elders	121
Total ordinations of Traveling Preachers during year	266
Local Preachers ordained Deacons during year	143
Elders	51
Total ordinations of Local Preachers during year	194
Total ordinations during the Conference year	460

LIST OF ANNUAL CONFERENCES AND MISSIONS.

Alabama, Arkansas, Baltimore, Brazil Mission, Central Mexican Mission, China Mission, Columbia, Denver, East Texas, Florida, German Mission, Holston, Illinois, Indian Mission, Kentucky, Little Rock, Los Angeles, Louisiana, Louisville, Memphis, Mexican Border Mission, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, North Alabama, North Carolina, North Georgia, North Mississippi, North Texas, North-west Texas, Pacific, South Carolina, South Georgia, South-west Missouri, St. Louis, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Western Virginia, West Texas, White River.—Total, 42.

CONNECTIONAL OFFICERS, 1887.

Book Agent (Publishing house, Nashville, Tenn.), James D. Barbee, D.D. *

Book Editor and Editor Southern Bimonthly Review, William P. Harrison, D.D.

Editor Nashville Christian Advocate, O. P. Fitzgerald, D.D.; *Assistant Editor*, Rev. W. A. Candler.

Editor of Sunday-school Publications, W. G. E. Cunningham, D.D.

Mission Secretary, I. G. John, D.D.; *Treasurer*, D. C. Kelley, D.D.

Board of Church Extension: *Secretary*, David Morton, D.D.; *Treasurer*, John W. Proctor, Esq.; *General Secretary of Women's Department* (Parsonage Building Society), Mrs. Lucinda B. McFerrin. Head-quarters: Church Extension Office, Louisville, Ky.

Woman's Board of Missions: *President*, Mrs. Juliana Hays; *Vice-President*, Mrs. M. D. Wightman; *Corresponding Secretary*, Mrs. D. H. McGavock, Nashville, Tenn.; *Treasurer*, Mrs. H. N. McTyre; *Recording Secretary*, Miss Maria L. Gibson; *Editor and Agent of Woman's Missionary Advocate*, Mrs. F. A. Butler. Head-quarters: Southern Methodist Publishing House, Nashville, Tenn.

Methodist Protestant Church.

Number of Conferences (in 1887), 44; itinerant preachers, 1,570; local preachers, 929; full lay members, 124,638; probationers, 4,071; total lay members, 128,709; colleges, 2, at Westminster, Md., and Adrian, Mich.; theological seminaries, 2, at Westminster and Adrian. Foreign missions at Yokohama and Nagoya, Japan; missionaries, 7, and several native teachers. School and two teachers at Yokohama, under care of W. F. M. S.

General Conference Officers.—Rev. W. S. Hammond, *President*, Baltimore: Rev. W. K. Sparr, *Secretary*, Cincinnati; E. J. Drinkhouse, D.D., *Editor of Methodist Protestant*, Baltimore; John Scott, D.D., *Editor of Methodist Recorder*, Pittsburg.

Next General Conference at Adrian, Mich., May 18, 1888.

Dr. Drinkhouse, in a note to the editor of the YEAR-BOOK, dated September 22, 1887, said: "We have had a large increase since these statistics were made up, and are assured that our present membership is not less than 140,000."

United Brethren Church.

(Church Organized, 1789. Head-quarters and Publishing House, Dayton, O.)

Summary of Statistics.—Annual Conferences, 50; bishops, 7; itinerant ministers, 1,566; local preachers, 589; churches, 4,396; members, 195,278; meeting-houses, 2,640; value of churches, \$3,569,432; parsonages, 481; value of parsonages, \$373,785; Sunday-schools, 3,478; officers and teachers, 30,051; scholars, 206,088; conversions in Sunday-school, 8,072; salaries of ministers, \$416,729.

* Elected by the General Book Committee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. J. B. McFerrin in May, 1887.

Collections during Year.—For ministerial aid, \$3,690 66; missions, \$61,974 88; church erection, \$4,262 41; Bishops' support, \$5,999 39; church building and expenses, \$251,475 46; general Sunday-school fund, \$1,794 92; local Sunday-school collections, \$54,337 75; for colleges and seminary, \$38,630 30; ministerial education, \$1,329 11; Union Biblical Seminary (special), \$2,491 92; total contributions for the year, \$842,716 01.

Connectional Officers.—*Bishops*: J. J. Glossbrenner, D.D. (*Bishop Emeritus*, elected 1845), Churchville, Va.; Jonathan Weaver, D.D. (1865), Dayton, O.; John Dickson, D.D. (1869) Chambersburg, Pa.; Nicholas Castle (1877), Elkhart, Ind.; E. B. Kephert, D.D. (1881), Toledo, Iowa; M. Wright, D.D. (*Missionary Bishop of Pacific Coast*, 1885); D. K. Flickinger, D.D. (*Missionary Bishop of Foreign Work*, 1885), Willoughby, O.

Publishing Agent, Rev. William J. Shuey.

Editor of the Religious Telescope, James W. Hott, D.D.

Assistant Editor of the Religious Telescope, Rev. M. R. Drury, A.M.

Editor of the Sabbath-school Literature, Daniel Berger, D.D.

Editor of the Missionary Visitor, Z. Warner, D.D.

Editor of the Fröhliche Botschafter and Youth's Pilgrim (German), Rev. Ezekiel Light.

Editor of the Woman's Evangel, Mrs. L. R. Keiter, Corresponding Secretary of Woman's Missionary Association.

The Evangelical Association.

(Head-quarters and Publishing House, Cleveland, O.)

Statistics for 1887.—Annual Conferences, 24; bishops, 3; itinerant preachers, 1,121; local preachers, 631; churches, 1,831; parsonages, 571; value of churches, \$4,231,418; value of parsonages, \$656,244; Sunday-schools, 2,342½; officers and teachers, 25,952; scholars, 162,842; adults baptized during year, 2,655; infants baptized, 9,855. Collections for missions, \$105,406 59; Conference claimants, \$7,046 88; for Sunday-School Union and Tracts, \$2,624 58.

Bishops.—John J. Esher, R. Dubbs, and T. Bowman.

General Book Agents.—M. Lauer and H. Mattill.

Editors.—W. Horn, Editor of the *Christliche Botschafter*; S. P. Spreng, Editor of the *Evangelical Messenger*; J. C. Hornberger, Editor of the *Living Epistle, Evangelical Sunday-School Teacher, Sunday-School Messenger*, and other English Sunday-school literature; C. A. Thomas, Editor of the *Evangelische Magazin, Christliche Kinderfreund*, and other German Sunday-school literature; G. Fuessle, Editor of the *Evangelische Botschafter and Evangelische Kinderfreund*.

Book Agent in Germany, J. Walz.

Sup't of Orphan Home, D. Strawman.

Missionary Society.—S. Heininger, *Corresponding Secretary*; W. Yost, *Treasurer*.

Methodist Church of Canada.

Organized Sept. 5, 1883, by representatives of the Methodist, Methodist Episcopal, Primitive Methodist, and Bible Christian Churches.

Present General Superintendents.—Rev. A. Carman, D.D. (elected 1883), Rev. John A. Williams, D.D. (elected 1886).

ANNUAL CONFERENCES, SESSIONS IN 1887 AND OFFICERS ELECT, AND PLACES OF SESSION IN 1888.

Toronto Conference, Toronto, June 9; John Potts, D.D., *President*; H. Johnston, M.A., B.D., *Secretary*. Next session: Toronto, June 14, 1888.

London Conference, Sarnia, June 2; W. S. Pascoe, D.D., *President*; Rev. B. Clent, *Secretary*. Next session: London, June 7, 1888.

Niagara Conference, St. Catherine, June 1; Rev. D. L. Brethour, *President*; Rev. J. S. Ross, M.A., *Secretary*. Next session: Norwich, June 6, 1888.

Guelph Conference, Galt, June 1; Rev. James Harmon, *President*; J. E. Howell, M.A., *Secretary*. Next session: Seaford, June 7, 1888.

Bay Quinte Conference, Peterboro, June 2; Rev. John Learoyd, *President*; Wm. Burns, *Secretary*. Next session: Lindsay, June 7, 1888.

Montreal Conference, Kingston, May 25; Rev. W. I. Shaw, LL.D., *President*; Rev. J. B. Sands, M.D., *Secretary*. Next session: Montreal, June 1, 1888.

Manitoba and North-west Conference, Brandon, June 16; Rev. A. Steward, B.D., *President*; Rev. J. M. Harrison, *Secretary*. Next session: Portage la Prairie, June 21, 1888.

British Columbia Conference, Victoria, May 11; Rev. E. Robson, *President*; Rev. Jos. Hall, *Secretary*. Next session: New Westminster, May 9, 1888.

Nova Scotia Conference, Truro, June 15; Rev. Jos. Gaetz, *President*; Rev. A. D. Morton, M.A., *Secretary*. Next session: Halifax, June 21, 1888.

New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Conference, Marysville, N. B., June 15; Rev. R. Wilson, *President*; Rev. C. H. Paisley, M.A., *Secretary*. Next session: Moncton, N. B., June 27, 1888.

Newfoundland Conference, St. Johns, June 22; Rev. J. Embree, *President*; Rev. Wm. Swam, *Secretary*. Next session: St. Johns, June 27, 1888.

STATISTICS.

CONFERENCE.	Preachers.	Local Preachers.	Probationers.	Lay Members.	Total Members.	S. Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Library Vols.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.
Toronto.....	258	404	2,294	31,668	33,962	437	4,372	38,600	45,643	2,653	419
London.....	178	*	2,220	23,609	25,829	302	3,263	25,413	23,962	1,217	278
Niagara.....	158	199	1,146	23,648	24,794	272	2,999	23,216	27,240	1,129	382
Guelph.....	184	*	1,724	25,141	26,865	334	3,248	26,167	*	*	*
Bay of Quinte.....	180	254	2,325	24,970	27,295	377	3,112	24,357	23,144	2,115	439
Montreal.....	242	*	2,368	26,645	29,013	434	3,212	23,914	33,092	2,343	382
Manitoba and North-West.....	72	113	710	5,482	6,192	112	658	4,595	6,266	730	32
British Columbia.....	23	45	734	1,241	1,975	33	173	1,543	1,523	160	61
Nova Scotia.....	106	50	553	12,650	13,203	215	1,663	12,045	17,714	913	239
New Brunswick and Prince Edward's Island.....	97	43	578	10,195	10,773	204	1,506	11,721	18,075	1,151	232
New Foundland.....	60	54	2,195	9,512	11,707	*	*	*	1,904	*	4
	1,558	1,162	16,847	194,761	211,608	2,720	24,206	191,571	198,659	14,315	2,498

The reports show a net increase in the lay members in every Annual Conference; total increase during the year, 15,232.

The Second Triennial Session of the General Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada was held in Toronto, September 1-23, 1886. General officers elected:

General Superintendents, A. Carman, D.D., and John A. Williams, D.D.

Book Steward at Toronto, William Briggs, D.D.

Book Steward at Halifax, Rev. S. F. Huestis.

Editor of the Christian Guardian, Toronto, E. H. Dewert, D.D.

Editor of The Wesleyan, Halifax, Nova Scotia, J. Lathern, D.D.

Editor of Magazines and Sunday-school Publications, W. H. Withrow, D.D.

Missionary Secretary, A. Sutherland, D.D.

Missionary Treasurer, John Macdonald, Esq.

Educational Secretary, John Potts, D.D.

Superintendent of Missions in the North-west, Rev. James Wordsworth.

Treasurers of the Superannuation Funds, Rev. J. Gray and Governor Aikens.

Fraternel Delegates.—To the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Rev. E. A. Stafford; to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, S. G. Stone, D.D.; to the British Conference, A. Steward, B.D.

British Wesleyan Methodist Conference.

The One hundred and fourteenth Conference was held in Manchester, commencing July 21, 1887, *President*, Rev. John Walton, M.A.; *Secretary*, Rev. D. J. Waller.
Connectional Officers.—*Book Steward* (Castle Street, City Road, London), Rev. T.

Woolmer; *Editor*, B. Gregory, D.D.; *General Missionary Secretaries*, Revs. John Riller, E. E. Jenkins, M. C. Osborn, G. W. Oliver, and William Arthur (Honorary); *Secretaries of Home Missions*, Rev. J. W. Greeves (Financial), Rev. J. E. Clapham (General), A. McAuley (Honorary); *Secretary of Metropolitan Chapel Building Committee and Extension of Methodism in Great Britain*, Rev. John Bond; *Secretary of Education Department*, Rev. D. J. Waller; *Secretary of Sunday-School Union*, Rev. Charles H. Kelley; *General Treasurers of Missionary Society*, Sir William McArthur, K.C.M.G., J. H. Rigg, D.D., Rev. John Kilner (Deputy).

Statistics, 1887.—*Lay Membership in Great Britain.*—In society classes, 412,298 (a decrease of 86); on probation, 31,470 (an increase of 2,937); in junior society classes, 52,855 (an increase of 4,092); total lay membership, 496,623 (a total net increase of 7,755).

Church Classes and Class-Leaders.—Number of adult classes, 27,189, with 1,246 ministerial and 24,666 lay leaders: junior classes, 3,056, with 3,046 leaders. Total number of church classes, 30,245; total class-leaders, 30,235. About one third of the class-leaders are females.

Sunday-Schools.—Number of schools, 6,797; officers and teachers, 127,763; scholars, 895,532; volumes in libraries, 837,395; cost of schools, \$385,800; scholars taken regularly to Church, 5,558; average attendance of teachers at morning schools, 48,324; average attendance of teachers at afternoon schools, 69,507; average attendance of scholars at morning schools, 349,465; average attendance of scholars at afternoon schools, 582,722; number above 15 years of age, 202,469; number below 15 years of age, 693,063.

Day Schools.—Number of day schools, 840; number of day scholars, 178,152. Total income for year, (school pence, \$502,487; government grants, \$572,894; subscription, etc., \$125,602) \$1,200,983; Total expenditures for year, \$1,231,949.

Temperance Summaries.—Bands of Hope, 3,136; enrolled members, 322,071. Temperance societies, 449; increase, 91; enrolled members, 27,087.

Connectional Funds, 1887.—Foreign Missions, \$676,300; Theological Institutions, \$55,805; Home Mission and Contingent Fund, \$174,800; General Chapel Fund, \$45,110; Education Fund, \$49,970; Auxiliary Fund,* \$119,135; School Fund, \$107,700; Children's Fund, \$164,285; Extension Fund in Great Britain, \$46,290; Sunday-School Union, \$107,809; Children's Home and Orphan Fund, \$110,625; Metropolitan Chapel Fund, \$67,350; Extension Fund in Scotland, \$2,290.

Irish Wesleyan Methodist Conference.

The One hundred and eighteenth Conference was held in Belfast, June 16, 1887. *President*, R. N. Young, D.D., of British Conference; *Secretary*, Rev. James Donnelly, Londonderry. *Statistics*:

YEAR.	Members.	Trial.	New Members.	Emigration.	Deaths.	Total Members.	Chapels.	Other Preach'g Places.	Hearers.
1884.....	24,386	591	2,310	510	377	24,866	359	1,869	67,963
1885.....	24,866	862	2,282	437	407	24,971	364	1,942	69,623
1886.....	24,971	725	2,103	460	469	24,641	350	1,847	71,390
1887.....	24,644	770	2,311	488	412	24,983	364	1,892	69,662

Losses in membership during the year: Emigration, 488; Deaths, 412; Ceased Members, 844; "Leakage," 211. Total, 1,955.

Next Session at Dublin, June 14, 1888. President of British Conference to preside. In case of his absence Rev. J. Powell (nominated by Irish Conference), or Rev. R. Roberts, or Dr. Greaves, of British Conference. The Conference to consist of 120 ministers and 120 laymen.

Fraternal Delegate to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church: Rev. Wesley Guard.

The Children's Fund was reported as \$26,430. Estimated value of Chapel property, \$1,758,160. Sunday-schools, 314; officers and teachers, 2,857; scholars, 24,879. The subscriptions to the Methodist Thanksgiving Fund had reached \$96,625.

* Worn-out preachers' and ministers' widows.

French Wesleyan Methodist Conference.

Thirty-fourth annual session in Lausanne, June 16, 1887. Next session to be held in June, 1888, Rev. Simeon Dugend, *President*.

West Indian Conferences.

Statistics.—Lay membership, 45,124; itinerant ministers, 89; local preachers, 560. Total preachers and lay members, 45,213.

Australasian Conferences.

Summary of statistics as reported to the Fourth General Conference, November 12, 1881: Itinerant ministers, 527; membership in full, 69,135; on trial, 9,027. Total lay members, 78,162; total ministers and lay members, 78,689. *President of the General Conference*, Rev. Joseph H. Fletcher, Sydney; *Secretary*, Rev. Spencer Williams, Melbourne.

South African Methodist Conference.

Fifth Session held in Grahamstown, April 6, 1887. Churches and chapels, 380; other preaching places, 1,012. itinerant ministers, 170; evangelists, 60; local preachers, 1,477; class-leaders, 2,121; full members, 24,280; members on trial, 8,092; in junior society classes, 2,961; Sunday-schools, 307, with 1,809 teachers and 19,377 scholars; 234 day schools, with 346 teachers and 15,042 scholars, and attendants on worship, 102,056. Next session to be held in King William Town, in April, 1888. *President*, Rev. Henry Tyndall, appointed by British Conference.

Primitive Methodist.

Sixty-eighth Annual Conference held in Scarborough, England, June 11, 1887. *President-elect*, Rev. Thomas Whitehead; *Connectional Editor*, Rev. Bickerstaff Crandall. Profits of Book Room for year, \$20,000. *Book Steward*, Rev. J. Toulson; *General Missionary Secretary*, Rev. J. Atkinson; *General Committee Secretary*, Rev. T. Whitehead.

Statistics.—Members, 191,663 (an increase of 22); traveling preachers, 1,038; local preachers, 16,138; class-leaders, 10,691; connectional chapels, 4,357; other preaching-places, 1,498; hearers, 552,506; value of connectional property, \$14,998,813; Sunday-schools, 3,777; teachers, 58,281; scholars, 391,641. The Conference is composed of an equal number of ministers and lay representatives. Official term of connectional officers extended to seven years without re-election (five years previous term).

United Methodist Free Churches.*

Conference held in South England, July 12, 1887. *President-elect*, Rev. J. S. Balmer; *Chapel Secretary*, Rev. J. Baaden; *Chapel Treasurer*, Joseph Green; *Secretary of Temperance League*, Rev. A. Thornby; *Editor*, Rev. Andrew Crombie.

Statistics, 1887.—Itinerant ministers, 419; local preachers, 3,313 (an increase of 45); class-leaders, 4,056; full members, 76,611 (an increase of 111); probationers, 8,324; chapels, 1,359; other preaching-rooms, 215; Sunday-schools, 1,357; Sunday-school teachers, 26,612; Sunday-school scholars, 200,076 (an increase of 2,510).

Methodist New Connection Conference.

Ninety-first session held in Stockport, England, June 13, 1887. *President-elect*, Rev. John Kilson Jackson.

Statistics.—Chapels, 495; itinerant ministers, 193; local preachers, 1,282; full members, 30,096 (increase of 182); members on trial, 4,603. Total lay members, 34,699. Sunday-school teachers, 11,170; Sunday-school scholars, 84,618. Deaths during year, 457.

Appointed Members of the Ecumenical Executive Committee, Rev. John Kilson Jackson, Dr. Watts, and Mr. John Whitworth, of London; *Connectional Editor*, Dr. J. C. Watts.

* The Conference was organized by the amalgamation of the Association (secession headed by Dr. Warren, 1835) and some who seceded at Leeds (principally in 1829), and the seceders of 1849.

The Conference is composed of one minister and one lay representative from each circuit, having equal power of voting. The next session is to be held in Hanley, Staffordshire, June, 1888.

Bible Christian Conference.

Sixty-ninth Conference held in Swansea in 1887. *President*, John Herridge Bath; *Book Steward*, Rev. F. W. Bourne.

Statistics.—Total ministers, members, and probationers, including Australia, 31,511; chapels, 816; preaching places, 124; itinerant preachers, 253; local preachers, 1,815; new members, 4,646; members, 29,909; members on trial, 836; juvenile class members, 513; Sunday-school teachers, 9,189; Sunday-school scholars, 49,586.

Conference of 1888 to be held at Forest Hill, near Crystal Palace, London.

Calvinistic Methodist Church.

In a letter bearing date September 8, 1887, Rev. R. H. Morgan, M.A., Secretary of the North Wales Calvinistic Association, has kindly furnished the following official statistical summaries of that Church in the United Kingdom: churches and chapels, 1,394; ministers, 619; preachers unordained (local), 370; Deacons, 4,598; full members, 129,458; probationers, 3,720; number of Sunday-schools, 1,503; Sunday-school teachers, 23,964; Sunday-school scholars, 188,066; members and hearers, 277,147; collections for 1886, \$678,973.

Members of the British Conference of 1888.

The resolution of the Conference of 1877 provided that one eighth of the lay representatives (240) shall be elected annually by the Conference, when composed of ministers and laymen; that this number shall include the lay treasurers of the connectional funds for the time being; and that of the remaining number (eighteen) *one third* shall retire annually by rotation.

- N. B. (1) No laymen are eligible for immediate re-election.
- (2) No layman is eligible for election "unless he be a member of society of four or five years' continuous standing, and a holder of office as a trustee of connectional property, a member of a circuit quarterly meeting, or a member of a district committee.
- (3) "Nomination papers" are issued by resolutions of the Conference, which provide that the *Voting Paper* to be presented to the Conference shall "contain only the names of persons whose nomination is supported by six members of the Conference." Any Conference member desiring to nominate a person for election must be prepared at the time named to hand to the "scrutiners" the following paper filled up:

NOMINATION PAPER, 18..

1. Person Nominated.....

2. Person who Nominates.....

3. Signatures of the Members of Conference who support the nomination:

(1)

(2)

(3)

(4)

(5)

(6)

Support of the British Wesleyan Ministry.

The pastors' "allowances" or salaries, with other expenses of the circuits, are to be paid from the weekly and quarterly contributions of members in their classes, "which," according to Mr. Wesley's rule, "ought to average one penny a week and one shilling a quarter," and the proceeds of what are called the "quarterly collections" made in every congregation as often as once in three months.

Provision for the superannuated ministers, for the widows of deceased preachers, and for their orphan children when necessary, is derived from the annuity made by the Annuitant Society (co-operative) and the Auxiliary Fund.

Provision "for old and worn-out preachers" was commenced by Mr. Wesley himself in 1763, and has continued in operation ever since, subject to such changes as the altered circumstances of the Church required.

To make an addition to the annuities, necessarily small, provided by the Preachers' Annuitant

Society—to which at present each minister, who is a member thereof, contributes 26 (\$30) per annum—many of the Methodist people have always cheerfully contributed. For this object in 1799 "The Preachers' Friend Society" was formed. That society was followed by the institution of the "Methodist Preachers' Merciful Fund," which, in the year 1813, received the more appropriate name of "Auxiliary Fund," as expressive of the relation in which it stood to the "Annuitant Society." The subscriptions to this fund have chiefly been derived from the wealthier members of the Methodist Church. But the amount thus raised was found distressingly inadequate to its intended objects. Many of the ministers who were disabled by the infirmities of age or disease were known to be living with their families in a state of great destitution. It was, therefore, determined in the Centenary year to supplement the old fund by applying to the entire body of Wesleyan Methodists once a year in their classes, at the renewal of tickets in September, when each is requested to give at least sixpence (12 cts.) a year toward this object. The fund thus raised is disbursed on principles similar to those which regulate the distribution of the Annuitant Society's income.

By a resolution of the Conference of 1872 a claimant on this fund is not necessarily a member of the Annuitant Society.

In 1876 and 1877 the Conference altered the scale of annuities, and adopted the following as being more equitable: The sum of one pound (\$5) per annum for every year that a minister has traveled being allowed; a further sum of twelve pounds (\$60) per annum shall be added, in every instance, to the amount so calculated. Ministers' widows are paid by the same scale, except that the basis is ten shillings (\$2 50) instead of one pound per annum for every year that the husband traveled. At the Conference of 1878 an addition of two pounds (\$10) was made to the sum of twelve pounds, and it is intended to make other additions from time to time, as the income of the fund shall permit.

Employment of Local Preachers.

At the British Conference in 1886 (see Conference Minutes, 1886, p. 279) a committee was appointed on "the employment of local preachers in the home counties." At the Conference of 1887 the committee reported as follows:

"1. That it has ascertained that above one hundred metropolitan local preachers are willing to undertake work in the ultra-metropolitan places in the five home counties, under various conditions.

"2. That it has directed that a register be prepared, and kept at some central place, of all local preachers willing to undertake the work prepared, with their conditions of service, (a) as to time, and (b) as to expense.

"3. That it has communicated to the superintendents of all the ultra-metropolitan circuits within about forty miles of the Bank of England the fact that it has secured promises of work from above one hundred local preachers, as aforesaid, and has suggested applications for their services, but it has received only a few such applications.

"4. That from the Home Missionary Committee's returns it appears that within the area named there are hundreds of considerable places entirely unoccupied by Wesleyan Methodism.

"Considering all these facts the committee suggests to the Conference:

"1. That the committee be re-appointed, with instructions to employ as far as possible the above-named local preachers on the above-named unoccupied ground if their services be not required for places already on circuit plans.

"2. That the September district committees of the three London districts, the Bedford and Northampton District, and the Kent District, be furnished with the necessary information, and be instructed to take into their consideration the possibility and advisability of employing these local preachers on some selected places at present unoccupied within their several districts, either through the action of their respective home missionary sub-committee or that of the superintendents of circuits, in conjunction with this committee, re-appointed as suggested, or otherwise.

"3. That the committee be authorized to raise such funds, and to take such other steps in accordance with our rules, as may be necessary to carry out the instructions of the Conference.

"4. That the Home Missionary Committee be authorized to make a grant of such a sum of money as shall not exceed one half of what is raised otherwise for the committee's purposes."

Wesleyan Methodist Local Preachers' Mutual Aid Association.

The thirty-ninth aggregate meeting was held in Liverpool, England, June 11-14, 1887. J. W. Laycock, of Keighley, elected *President*; John Harding, 24 Bedford Street, Strand, London, W. C., *General Secretary*. The annual report showed receipts for the year as follows:

				Increase for Year.		
	£	s	d	£	s	d
Entrance fees.....	401	19	7	106	12	2
Fines.....	3	4	3	0	8	3
Public collections.....	1,854	18	10	556	12	10
Donations and legacies.....	1,044	2	7			
Free subscriptions.....	1,513	14	11	39	8	3
Members.....	1,966	1	6	78	9	6
Dividends.....	465	16	10	33	13	7
Profits on Local Preachers' Magazine.....	17	0	6	2	14	5
	7,267	9	0	811	8	8

Members (benefit), 3,622, increase, 385; honorary members, 1,272, increase 140; total membership, 4,894, increase, 525; annuitants, 270. Average outlay to Annuitants, £11, 3s, 6d.

Of the Annuitants,

10 males received 7s 0d per week.				18 sisters received 3s 6d per week.			
56	"	"	6 0	10	"	"	3 0
84	"	"	5 0	24	"	"	2 6
46	"	"	4 0	3	"	"	2 0
7	"	"	3 0				
3	"	"	2 6	261			£327 7s 6d

Total payments since 1851:

	£	s	d
Sickness.....	31,835	6	5
Deaths.....	11,117	16	4
Annuities.....	44,256	15	5
Total.....	87,211	18	2
Invested funds in May, 1887.....	15,355	0	6

Association founded in 1849 by representatives of the Wesleyan Methodist, Reformed Methodist, and United Methodist Free Church.

Annual fees of members 1 cent per quarter. Honorary members about a guinea a year grants.

Report of Committee on Proposed Ecumenical Conference.

The committee reported to the British Conference of July, 1887:

1. That it judges it advisable to hold a second Ecumenical Conference in America in 1891.

2. That it has corresponded with the representatives of all the bodies in the eastern section as arranged for at the Conference of 1881, and with Bishop Harris as representing the western section, and has found that in some instances their Conferences have not yet formally replied. Favorable replies have been received from all these representatives, those of one small body alone excepted, from which no reply has yet been received.

The committee therefore recommend to the Conference,

1. That it sanction the holding of a second Ecumenical Conference in 1891, on the basis laid down for that of 1881.

2. That it re-appoint the committee with power, if the authoritative replies from the other bodies when received prove favorable, to proceed on the lines adopted in 1880-81, to prepare for a Conference in 1891.

3. That, further, it is expedient, if representatives be sent from our Conference to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church of America, that they should be instructed (a) to discuss the question generally, and so far as arrangements can be made for this purpose, with representatives of such American bodies as propose to enter the Ecumenical Conference, so as to arrive at a general understanding as to its conduct; and (b) to take any other preliminary action thought desirable, similar to that taken by our representatives in 1880.

JOHN BOND, *Secretary.*

At the Primitive Methodist Conference, June, 1887, a letter was read from the Rev. John Bond (Wesleyan) on the subject of another Ecumenical Conference proposed to be held in America in 1890 or 1891. The whole matter was referred to the General Committee to take such steps as it may deem necessary, and submit their arrangements to the next Conference.

At the Irish Wesleyan Conference at Belfast, June 16, 1887, a letter from Rev. John Bond was read calling attention to the Ecumenical Methodist Conference which it is intended to hold in New York in 1891, and on motion of Rev. Dr. Crook, seconded by Mr. William Greenhill, the project was unanimously approved, and representatives will most probably be sent.

United States Postage Regulations.

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The rate of postage on mail matter of the First Class (sealed or unsealed) is TWO CENTS FOR EACH OUNCE OR FRACTION THEREOF, excepting Postal Cards, and excepting also letters for *local delivery* posted at a post-office where no letter carriers are employed, in which case the rate is ONE CENT PER OUNCE OR FRACTION THEREOF.

The postage on all mail matter of the First Class must be prepaid only by postage stamps or by inclosure in government stamped envelopes, and any article of this Class (not entitled by law to free transmission in the mails) deposited in a post-office wholly unpaid or prepaid *less than one full rate, cannot be forwarded or delivered*, but must be "held for postage." There is no limit to the weight of letters or packages of other First-class matter. Mail matter of the First Class may be wrapped or inclosed in any manner that the sender may desire.

No cards are "Postal Cards" except those issued by authority of the Postmaster-General (the imitation of which is forbidden and punished by law), and so-called "Postal Cards" issued by private parties are subject to letter rates of postage when they contain any written matter whatever in addition to the date, and the name of the addressee and of the sender, and the correction of mere typographical errors therein. Nothing whatever may be attached to a Postal Card except an address tag or label, which may be affixed to the *address side*, and no printing or writing is permitted upon the address side of Postal Cards, except that imprinted thereon at the manufactory and such as may be necessary for the proper direction for the same. Postal Cards cannot be returned to the senders, and therefore requests to so return must not be printed or written on them. Postal Cards are unmailable as such when incomplete or mutilated.

Second-class matter.—This class includes newspapers and unbound periodical publications regularly issued from a known office of publication not less frequently than four times a year, having a legitimate list of subscribers, and published for the dissemination of information of a public character, or devoted to literature, the sciences, arts, or some special industry, and not primarily designed for advertising purposes, nor for circulation gratuitously, or at a nominal rate.

The rate of postage on mail matter of the Second Class, when posted by persons *other* than the publisher or news agents, is ONE CENT FOR EACH FOUR OUNCES OR FRACTION THEREOF, and any publication fulfilling the requirements of "Second-class Matter," as given above, may be posted by any person other than its publisher or his agent at the latter rate. As a rule, each of these publications bears the words "*Entered at the Post Office at ——— as Second-class Matter.*" Nearly every newspaper and magazine published in the United States belongs to the Second Class, and foreign publications which if issued here would be admitted to that Class may be mailed at the rate given above.

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There is no limit to the weight of packages of mail matter of the Second Class posted for mailing or for delivery.

No writing in or on mail matter of the Second Class is permitted (when posted by the public) except the names and addresses of the senders, preceded by the word "from," and the simple marks (not words or figures) designed to call attention to particular passages in the text.

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the articles inclosed. The weight of any article of these classes, a single book excepted, is limited to 4 lbs., and it must be so wrapped that the contents may be examined without mutilating the wrapper.

N. B.—Liquids, poisons, explosive or inflammable matter, indecencies, lottery and false pretense matters, are excluded from the mails.

Registration.—The fee for registration of any mail matter is 10 cents, receipts to be returned by the recipients, without charge.

All registered articles must be prepaid. Newspapers, and other printed papers, and all matter of the second, third, and fourth classes, should be prepaid; unless, at least, partly prepaid, will not be forwarded.

Rates to Canada and British North American States.—Letters, postals, and papers, in general, as if a part of the United States. To Newfoundland, 5 cts.; postals, 2 cts.; newspapers, 1 ct. for 2 ozs. or less.

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To the following countries postage must be prepaid as follows: To Bolivia, 17 cts.; Sandwich Islands, 5 cts.; to Costa Rica, 5 cts.

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Packages of mutilated currency, addressed to the Treasurer of the United States for redemption, may be *registered* without payment of fee, but the *postage* must be prepaid.

Authors and publishers desiring to send copyright books, titles, or other copyright matter to the Librarian of Congress may do so on presenting the same properly addressed, at the office of the Assistant Postmaster, when a receipt for the same will be given and the package forwarded free under a "penalty envelope" or label.

The Franking Privilege of Senators, Representatives and Delegates in Congress, and of certain officers of the Senate and House, extends only to U. S. public documents, the *Congressional Record*, or parts thereof, and speeches or reports contained therein.

Domestic Money Orders.—These may be purchased and sent through the principal post-offices in the United States at the following rates: An order for \$10 or less, 8 cts.; \$10 to \$15, 10 cts.; \$15 to \$30, 15 cts.; \$30 to \$40, 20 cts.; \$40 to \$50, 25 cts.; \$50 to \$60, 30 cts.; \$60 to \$70, 35 cts.; \$70 to \$80, 40 cts.; \$80 to \$100, 45 cts. None supplied over \$100.

A single money order may include any amount from one cent to \$100 inclusive; but must not contain a fractional part of a cent.

No more than three orders can be issued on the same day to the same remitter and in favor of the same payee and payable at the same office.

When the remitter of a money order desires to change the place of payment of the same, or when a mistake has been made in drawing a money order through error of the remitter, the issuing postmaster is authorized to take back the first order and issue another in lieu thereof, for which a second fee will be charged.

In case a money order is lost or destroyed or becomes invalid (as all money orders do after the expiration of one year), a duplicate will be issued by the Department at Washington, on application therefor from either the remitter, payee, or indorsee of the original, at the office of issue or payment, and proper blanks will be furnished for that purpose at any Money Order post-office.

Persons signing money orders by Power of Attorney are required to file a certified copy of such Power of Attorney, or a written order, with the paying postmaster, before payment can be effected.

Repayment of a money order can be made to the person who originally obtained it at the issuing office and by the return of the order; but the fee paid cannot be returned.

Domestic Postal Notes.—These are issued for any sum from one cent to four dollars and ninety-nine cents (\$4.99) inclusive, but not for any fractional part of a cent.

The uniform fee for the issue of a Postal Note is three cents.

Postal Notes can be paid at any money order office in the United States that may be designated by the person purchasing the same. They are payable to bearer and no identification is required. For the accommodation of the public in New York, arrangements have been effected whereby Postal Notes payable at any District Office may be

paid at any other District Office, if desired, or at the General Post-office; and, in like manner Postal Notes payable at General Post-office may be paid at any of the District Offices. In Brooklyn, Postal Notes payable at any of the District Offices may be paid at the General Post-office.

If a Postal Note be not paid within three months from the last day of the month of issue, it will become invalid and not payable, and the holder, to obtain the amount thereof, less an additional fee of *three cents*, must receipt the Postal Note, deliver it to the postmaster at the paying or at the issuing office, and sign an application for a duplicate, payable to him by such postmaster, to be issued by the Department at Washington. Any number of notes may be purchased in one day.

If a Postal Note be lost or destroyed, no duplicate thereof can be issued.

International Money Orders.—The following fees are charged for these orders, when drawn payable in most foreign countries:

On orders not exceeding \$10.....	10 cents.
Over \$10 and not exceeding \$20.....	20 "
Over \$20 " " " \$30.....	30 "
Over \$30 " " " \$40.....	40 "
Over \$40 " " " \$50.....	50 "

Orders payable in Denmark, Iceland, Norway, the Netherlands and Luxemburg, are issued through the German Post Department on the same form now used for German orders, but additional fees will be charged by the German office, to wit: *Denmark and Iceland.*—From each order payable in Denmark or Iceland, 5 Pfennigs are deducted for every 20 marks or fraction thereof; but the deduction on a single order will not be less than 20 Pfennigs. *Norway and the Netherlands.*—10 Pfennigs are deducted for every 20 marks or fraction thereof; but the deduction on a single order will not be less than 20 Pfennigs. *Luxemburg.*—10 Pfennigs are deducted for sums not exceeding 100 marks; 15 Pfennigs for sums over 100 marks and not exceeding 200 marks; 20 Pfennigs for sums over 200 marks.

All International orders are payable at any time within twelve months after the month of issue.

The orders issued on Canada, Cape Colony, Constantinople, France and Algiers, Great Britain and Ireland, Hawaii, the British West Indian Islands, New Zealand, New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania and Victoria, should be sent to the payees by the remitters.

The International Money Orders issued in this country, payable in Austro-Hungary, Belgium, British India, Denmark, Germany, Hong Kong, Italy, Japan, Shanghai (China), Luxemburg, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal (including the Azores and Madeira Islands), Switzerland and Sweden, should be retained by the remitter as a receipt, and not sent to the payee, to whom a new order in the currency of the country of payment will be issued and sent by the post-office of that country.

Special Delivery Stamps.—The amended law establishing the Special Delivery system provides for the issue of a special stamp, of the face valuation of ten cents, which when attached to a letter or any other article of mailable matter (in addition to the lawful postage thereon), shall be regarded as entitling such letter or other article to immediate delivery within the limit of any free-delivery post-office, or within one mile of the post-office at any other city, town or village to which it is directed, and that such specially stamped articles shall be immediately delivered by messengers at free-delivery post-offices from seven o'clock A. M., up to eleven o'clock P. M., and up to nine o'clock P. M. at other post-offices, the messengers to procure receipts from the persons addressed, or from persons authorized to represent them.

Special Delivery Stamps are not valid for prepayment of postage, nor are ordinary postage stamps valid for special delivery.

No special deliveries are required to be made on Sunday.

When a Special Delivery letter or package is offered at its address, and delivery cannot be effected for any reason (such as the premises being closed, an error in direction, the absence of any person authorized to sign the receipt, or any other similar cause) it cannot be again offered for delivery either at the original address or elsewhere, as a *Special Delivery article*, but will be delivered, as soon after its return as possible, by letter carrier. If the person addressed has removed, it will be forwarded to its proper address, if it be known, either in New York or at any other post-office, but will in either case be delivered only as an ordinary and not as a Special Delivery article.

A Special Delivery article, which has been offered for delivery at one post-office and re-addressed and forwarded for delivery to another post-office, cannot be specially delivered at the new address.

Special Delivery begins at the post-office or branch station at which the letter or package would be deliverable if the Special Delivery stamp had not been affixed.

Mail matter arriving here from foreign countries, and bearing U. S. Special Delivery stamps, is entitled to, and will receive, Special Delivery, the same as though it were originally posted in the United States.

Paid Wrappers and Envelopes.—These are furnished in various sizes and colors, and of different quality, at cost, by most of the post-offices of the United States.

Printing, Marking, and Writing on Mail Matter.

The following revised "Information" was issued by the United States Post Office Department under date of November 8, 1887:

Second Class.—Mailable matter of the second class may contain no writing, print, mark, or sign thereon or therein in addition to the original print, except: 1. The name and address of the person to whom it is intended to be conveyed by post. 2. Index figures of subscription book (in *print* or *writing*). 3. The *printed* title of the publication. 4. The *printed* name and address of the publisher or sender. 5. *Written* or *printed* words or figures, or both, indicating the date on which subscription to such matter will end. 6. Return requests. 7. Any article or item in any newspaper or other publication may be marked for observation, except by written or printed words, without increase of postage. 8. Bills, receipts, and orders for subscriptions thereto (*printed* or *written*) in such form as to convey no other information than the name, location and subscription price of the publications to which they refer, may be inclosed in publications of the second class. 9. *Bona fide* supplements may be inclosed with the particular issues of second class publications which they supplement. 10. The words "Sample Copy" *must* be either *written* or *printed* on the wrapper of every sample copy sent through the mails by a publisher.

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The law provides that "upon matter of the third class, or upon the wrapper inclosing the same, the sender may write his own name or address thereon, with the word 'from' above and preceding the same, and in either case may make simple marks intended to designate a word or passage of the text to which it is desired to call attention. There may be placed upon the cover or blank leaves of any book, or of any printed matter of the third class, a simple manuscript dedication or inscription that does not partake of the nature of personal correspondence." (Act of March 3, 1879, part of Section 22). The law (Section 17 of the same Act) also permits the writing of an address, date and signature, and the correction of mere typographical errors, in a circular.

The construction put upon the above by the Department is that there may be *written* or *printed* upon third class matter, or upon its wrapper: 1. The name or address of the sender (the address being understood to include the name) with the word "from" above and preceding the same; also those of the addressee. 2. Simple marks intended to designate a word or passage of the text to which it is desired to call attention. 3. A simple dedication or inscription that does not partake of the nature of a personal correspondence. 4. The words "personal" or "to be called for," and return requests. 5. (In circulars) dates, addresses, signatures, and corrections of mere typographical errors. The date here meant is the date of the circular, not the date on which something is therein acknowledged to be received. 6. The word "patent" or "patented" followed by the date of the patent, when the article sent is inclosed in a patented envelope or wrapper or has a patented tag attached thereto.

It is NOT PERMISSIBLE to *write* or *print* upon matter of the third class: 1. The name, nature, or quantity of the article inclosed—as "Books," "Magazines," "Music," "Engravings," etc.; or shipping directions, as by "By Mail," etc., etc. 2. The name of a patented envelope, wrapper or tag, or of its patentee; or 3. Any writing or printing whatever, other than as heretofore named as permitted.

Fourth Class.—Fourth class matter embraces all matter not embraced in the first, second or third class, which is not in its form or nature liable to destroy, deface or otherwise damage the contents of a mail bag or harm the person of any one engaged in the postal service.

There may be *written* or *printed* upon the face or surface of a package of fourth class matter: 1. A return request. 2. The name and address of the sender (but not his occupation or business), preceded by the word "from;" also those of the addressee. 3. The number and names of the articles inclosed. 4. There may be *written* or *printed*, upon the articles inclosed, or upon a tag or label attached thereto, one mark, number, name or letter, for purpose of identification. 5. There may be printed upon a patented envelope

or wrapper inclosing, or upon a patented tag attached to any article of the fourth class, the word "patent" or "patented," followed by the date of the patent; but neither the name of such patented envelope, wrapper or tag, or of its patentee, may be *written* or *printed* thereon. 6. There may be inclosed with any articles of merchandise *printed* matter giving descriptions, directions for use, or other information respecting the articles as part of the original packages or labels done up for sale.

Penalty.—By Section 23 of the Act above mentioned it is provided "that matter of the second, third or fourth class containing any writing or printing other than indicated in the preceding section (22) or made in the manner other than therein indicated, shall not be delivered except upon the payment of postage for matter of the first class, deducting therefrom any amount which may have been prepaid by stamps affixed to such matter, and any person who shall conceal or inclose any matter of a higher class in that of a lower class, and deposit, or cause the same to be deposited, for conveyance by mail, at a less rate than would be charged for both such higher and lower class matter, shall, for every such offense, be liable to a penalty of ten dollars."

Miscellaneous Suggestions.*

Before posting a letter or package, care should be taken to see that the postage is fully prepaid (except in cases when prepayment on letters to certain foreign countries is optional) and that name and address of the sender are *written* or *printed* on the cover.

All mail matter at large post-offices is necessarily handled in great haste, and should therefore in all cases be SO PLAINLY ADDRESSED as to leave NO ROOM FOR DOUBT AND NO EXCUSE FOR ERROR on the part of postal employees. Names of States should be written in full (or their abbreviations very distinctly written), in order to prevent errors which arise from the similarity of such abbreviations as Cal., Col.; Pa., Va., Vt., Me., Mo.; N. H., N. M., N. Y., N. J., N. C., D. C.; Miss., Mass.; Penn., Tenn., etc., etc.; when hastily or carelessly written. This is especially necessary in addressing mail matter to places of which the names are borne by several post-offices in different States. The street and number (or box number) should form part of the address of all mail matter directed to cities, and also the "Index Letter" of the Postal District (in New York or Brooklyn) in which it is deliverable. In most cities there are many persons and even firms bearing the same name. Never send letters containing money or valuables by mail without registering them, and never send bank notes, or gold or silver money, at all if you can procure a check, draft, or money order.

Novel and eccentric forms of direction on mail matter should be avoided—such, for instance, as reversing in the superscription the usual order of the State, city, and person named. All such departures from established custom only tend to confuse and embarrass the operations of the clerks, and are liable to result in errors and delay.

Business cards, and requests to return if not delivered, and postage stamps, should not be placed on the *backs* of letters. As a rule, the address sides only of letters are examined in post-offices, and any notice or instruction intended for the guidance of the post-office should be placed where it will be most readily and easily observed.

"Local" names that are not those of the post-offices where delivery is desired, and names of private country residences and villas, should be carefully omitted from addresses of correspondence intended for prompt transmission by mail. Fanciful additions should not be made to the names of post-offices, as they are apt to mislead and confuse assorting clerks, and so cause errors. For example, "Pattagumpus, Maine," should not be extended into "Pattagumpus-on-the-Penobscot."

It is forbidden by the Regulations of the Post Office Department to give to any person information concerning the mail matter of another, or to disclose the name of a box holder at a post-office.

Articles liable to damage through the pressure and friction incident to transportation by mail should, when sent by post, be protected against such injury by being securely wrapped or inclosed. Fragile articles, inclosed in thin paste-board boxes, etc., will probably reach their destination in bad condition unless this caution is heeded, especially when addressed to places at a distance. Paper used for the wrappers of packages sent by mail should be of substantial texture and good quality—otherwise there is danger that wrappers may be torn, and the address or contents lost. In nearly every large mail that arrives (especially in those from abroad) numbers of books, pamphlets and other articles are found disconnected from their wrappers, owing to the neglect of the senders to properly secure the same.

The posting of dunning, insulting, and otherwise offensive letters, or of postal cards bearing messages in offensive or insulting language (not obscene or indecent) is not forbidden or punished by postal law. Such postal cards will be withheld from delivery on the written request of addressees, but legal redress must be sought in the State Courts.

Letters should not be sent from a post-office under cover to the postmaster at another post-office, with a request to mail or deliver them.

Hotel proprietors should not furnish, for the use of their guests, envelopes bearing a printed request for return to the hotel if found undeliverable, and guests using envelopes with printed cards of hotels should add a request for return to their permanent residences.

The rate of postage on mail matter of the Third Class is ONE CENT FOR EACH TWO OUNCES OR FRACTION THEREOF.

Mail matter of the Third Class must be fully prepaid by postage stamps affixed or by being inclosed in an unsealed government envelope or wrapped in government stamped wrappers. *Unpaid or insufficiently prepaid matter of this class cannot be forwarded or delivered, but must be "held for postage."*

The limit of weight for any package of mail matter of the Third Class is four pounds, except single books exceeding that weight.

No writing is permitted on Third-class matter except as follows: The name and address of the sender on the outside or inside of package, preceded by the word "From." On the wrapper may also be written the names and quantity of articles inclosed. The sender is further allowed to mark a word or passage in a book or paper to which he desires to call special attention. He may also write a single inscription or dedication upon the cover or blank leaf of a book or pamphlet. Dates, addresses, and signatures of circulars may be written. Any other writing on Third-class matter will subject the package to letter rates of postage, and render the sender liable to a fine of \$10.

Mail matter of the Third Class must be so wrapped or inclosed that it can be readily examined without destroying the wrapper; otherwise it will be subject to postage at the First Class rate, as will also articles inclosed in sealed envelopes with clipped ends, sides or corners, or in boxes with covers secured by nails, and all packages the wrappers of which are secured to the inclosure by postage stamps.

Fourth Class.—This Class includes all articles not embraced in the First, Second, or Third Class, not by their form or nature liable to destroy, injure or deface other articles in the mail or harm the person of any one in the postal service, which does not apply, however, to certain articles and substances (otherwise unmailable) if prepared for mailing in *strict conformity to conditions prescribed* by the Post-office Department, information concerning which may be obtained on inquiry at the General or District Post-offices. This class embraces the following articles of *printed* matter: Labels, blank bill-heads, letter-heads and statements, and blank books, patterns, playing cards, visiting cards, address tags, paper sacks, wrapping paper, and blotting pads with printed advertisements thereon, ornamented paper, and all other matter of the same general character.

The rate of postage on mail matter of the Fourth Class is ONE CENT PER OUNCE OR FRACTION THEREOF.

Mail matter of the Fourth Class must be *fully* prepaid by postage stamps affixed, or by being inclosed in an unsealed government stamped envelope or wrapped in government stamped wrappers. *Unpaid or insufficiently prepaid matter of this Class cannot be forwarded or delivered, but must be "held for postage."*

The limit for weight of a package of mail matter of the Fourth Class is *Four Pounds*, except for certain liquids, oils, and liquefiable substances (when packed in the prescribed manner) the contents of packages of which may not exceed four liquid ounces in quantity.

No writing is permitted on Fourth-class matter except as follows: The name and address of the sender on the outside or inside of package, preceded by the word "from." On the wrapper may also be written the name and number (quantity) of articles inclosed. One mark, number, name, or letter (for the purpose of identification only) may be *written* on any article of the Fourth Class, or upon a tag or label attached to it. Price and size of the article may be *printed or stamped* on such tag or label; but more than ONE written mark, number, name, or letter, will subject the package to postage at letter rates *except that on packages containing matter which is only admitted to the mails when specially prepared for mailing in strict accordance with methods prescribed by the Post-office Department for the protection of other mail and of the persons of those engaged in the service, the name and address of the sender and the name, number or quantity of the matter inclosed preceded by the word from must be written or printed on the wrappers.* Any other writing on Fourth-class matter will subject the package to letter rates of postage, and render the sender liable to a fine of \$10 for each offense. Third-class matter may be inclosed with Fourth-class matter, but the whole package will in that case be subject to the rate of one cent per ounce or fraction thereof.

Mail matter of the Fourth Class must be so wrapped, boxed or inclosed that it can be readily examined without destroying the wrapper; otherwise it will be subject to postage at the First-class rate, as will also articles inclosed in sealed envelopes with clipped ends, sides, or corners, or in boxes with covers secured by nails, as well as all packages the wrappers of which are secured to the inclosure by postage stamps. But proprietary articles of merchandise (not in themselves unmailable) such as powders, pills, fancy soaps, etc., inclosed in *original packages*, with the original wrappers sealed only to prevent loss of contents, will be allowed to pass at Fourth-class rates. Seeds or other articles (not prohibited) which are liable, from their form or nature, to loss or damage, unless specially protected, may be put up in sealed envelopes, provided such envelopes are made of material sufficiently transparent to show the contents clearly, without opening. Sharp instruments, (including pins, needles, and steel pens,) articles wholly or part of glass, and certain liquids, oils, powders, and other soft, pulverized, or easily liquefiable substances, *not explosive, inflammable, combustible or poisonous*, which if not properly secured, might damage the mails or harm any persons handling them, must first be securely prepared for mailing in a manner *strictly conforming* to methods prescribed by the Post-office Department.

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